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## LAWFUL AND UNLAWFUL MARRIAGES

Our elder brother, William Stettner

Genesis 2:24: "Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh."

When two converted persons are joined in marriage through the holy bonds of matrimony, they are no more twain, but become one flesh, as spoken by our Lord Jesus Christ. (Matthew 19:5) Such two persons are also one in spirit, because they both possess the Holy Spirit in their hearts. So they are one in flesh and one in spirit.

When two unconverted persons are united in marriage, they also become one in the flesh and are no more twain. They are also one in the spirit, because they both possess the spirit of the world. So

they are one in flesh and also one in spirit.

### WITH HIS SAYING SO, REJOICE!

Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

From St. Luke 10

### Answer To The Question

Why is it wrong for a converted person to be united in marriage to an unconverted person? II Corinthians 6:14. "Be ye not unequally

yoked together with unbelievers: ..."

When a converted person marries an unconverted person, he sells his spiritual birthright.

When a converted person is united in marriage to an unconverted person, they also become one flesh and become one in the spirit, because the converted person loses the Holy Spirit, and the same spirit which the unconverted person possesses takes over the heart of the converted person. So then they are one in flesh and one in spirit, namely the spirit of the world.

May this be a teaching and a warning to every child of God, so as not to be misled away from the Lord and Saviour, who purchased us with his holy blood and paid the price for our sins.

## S. H. FROELICH

Submitted by Bro. Noah Schrock

### CONSISTENT COURAGE TO DO, EVEN WITH CLOUDS

#### Reason for Froelich's Success: Obedience

He could not remain inactive, for one cannot stop a living spring.

In February, 1832, Froelich was baptized, at the hands of Bost, in Geneva, and, thereupon, proclaimed

ed the true gospel, here and there. He pointed men to Christ, for repentance, faith, and baptism, according to the words of Christ, as the first Christians had done.

On January 9, 1836, Froelich wrote: "It never entered my mind that I should found a sect here on earth, rather it was and is my purpose to gather children to God . . .

I placed myself wholly into His hands, that He might lead me according to His good pleasure."

Froelich began his work in Leutwil, his former congregation.

Hardly had the news spread that he was there, when from 200 to 300 persons gathered every evening, that he might preach the word of Christ to them. Some also



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came to spy; the majority, how-  
ever, from desire.

Within a week, many hearers,  
whom he had instructed before and  
in whom God had prepared the  
way, requested baptism. Froelich

examined them carefully, to be con-  
vinced of the uprightness of their  
faith and knowledge, and admon-  
ished them to count the cost of  
following Christ. Then he baptized  
them, according to the instruction  
of the Lord. On Palm Sunday, he  
could celebrate the Lord's Supper  
with 38 members, for the first  
time.

Meanwhile, the foe was not idle.

When many were gathered to-  
gether, a gendarme appeared and  
ordered that all who had sheltered  
Froelich must appear before the  
district magistrate. As Froelich  
did not permit himself to be intimi-  
dated, and continued to preach the  
good tidings, a summons followed.  
He was told to leave the village at  
once, and to return to his native  
Brugg. In vain did he refer to the  
highest Aargau court and traveled  
to Aargau to the magistrate. He  
was dismissed with a warning.

Later on, a gendarme dragged  
Froelich out of a meeting, and  
brought him to the magistrate at  
Lenzburg.

In answer to the question, "Who  
had commanded you to preach?",  
his reply was, calmly, "Christ". The  
angry official raised his hand to  
strike him, but withdrew it. He  
tore his clothes, emptied his pock-  
ets in order to find his books. Then,  
he ordered the gendarme to put  
him in prison. When Froelich ap-  
pealed that the magistrate at Aar-  
gau had not arrested him, he was  
allowed to go free, and began his  
wearisome journey to Brugg.

Froelich once more turned to  
Bost at Geneva: "... In Aargau,  
I was arrested and banned. Where  
shall I go?"

He would like to go with Paul,  
to learn of him, how with simpli-  
city the gospel might best be  
spread.

## TIMELESS BEAUTY

Henry Souder Jr.

Old ways have their way of  
warming us.

She lived in a farm house, noth-  
ing fancy, but just warm and  
homey, and blessed with the Sav-  
iour's love. Grandpa had nice, wavy  
hair and a personality easy to love.  
They two went hand in hand,  
through storm and sunshine.

In the mists of dreaming, I was  
out there again. There I saw grand-  
ma, and embraced her. Love is so  
good.

Grandma had left first, for  
Home. In the dream, soon after, we  
were out by the old kitchen win-  
dows. Grandpa came out the porch  
door. He came to grandma. Then,  
they left.

In the dream, I retold the story  
... that first, strange, not-at-home  
feeling ... going inside ... they two  
together ... how they went on ...

Love's ways have a way of win-  
ning into our heart

We too little realize the vast,  
beautiful realness ... of dimen-  
sions, powers and truths that are  
ours ... and go beyond our fondest  
dreams.

"For we have great joy and con-

solation in thy love, because the  
bowels of the saints are refreshed  
by thee, brother."

Paul and Philemon apart, yet to-  
gether ... they saw that "bowels"  
was a treasured term that describ-  
ed a seat of inner affections.

It is a beautiful word, hidden in  
God's meaning, this "bowels". This  
is the spiritual, the inner home of  
heavenly Giver and gifts.

For the faithful, this is what  
knows no ending. It is beautifully  
refreshed in love. Resurrection  
morning, in its beauty, has dawned  
here in loveliness. Here, God makes  
His dwelling, for ever.

Being one with God, we are  
brought into the holiest of all, in  
heaven. In spiritual fact, we, in  
ways not always perceived, become  
aware of the feelings and forms of  
the heavenlies. We see through the  
glass, and as we look, we trace fa-  
miliar forms.

I Thessalonians 5:10 reveals the  
links of the family of love ... no  
time nor place can separate.

"... I have sent again: thou  
therefore receive him, that is, mine  
own bowels:"

Man may talk of his great things  
... of feats and famous athletes  
... of towering power of destruc-  
tion, and soaring journeys. But God  
speaks of Home, where a wealth of  
warmth gladdens the heart.

Our Father's house is **something!**

No where, but there, is revealed  
such tenderness, such affection. Its  
rooms abound with beauty. These  
inner rooms that glow are only  
found there. While the world is  
cold, striving after vain dreams, we  
have warmth, endearing personal  
affection, and for ever ...

"For perhaps he therefore de-  
parted for a season, that thou  
shouldst receive him for ever;"

We need to get our soul excited  
about eternity!

No news column or magazine, TV  
drama or radio serial, holds the  
power of interest, the profound  
meaning, the uncountable ending  
that this has. Something great is  
happening. Every move of love is  
counted with purpose. Each soul,  
even two minutes from home,  
should take part.

Underscore this, that eternity is

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NEWS

ALTO, MICHIGAN

In appreciation for the love and kindness, the many cards, gifts, and prayers during our late illness, may God bless each and everyone of you for remembering us.

Least ones-in-faith,  
Philip and Fern Wingeier

AKRON, OHIO

Reporter: Ruth Taylor

We have three new addresses to report this month. They are:

Edith Graf  
874 Greenwood Ave  
Akron 20 Ohio

Leon Grafs  
3382 Brenner Rd  
Barberton Ohio

Mary Zollinger  
557 East Ave  
Akron 20 Ohio

Sis. Mary Zollinger is still shut-in, because of her heart condition.

Our young friend, Kenny Greenbank, had an accident this month. It was necessary to amputate a toe, but we are glad to report seeing him among us again, with his usual cheerful look.

Sis. Margaret Gruenig was hospitalized because of a back ailment, but is now at home and feeling better.

Some of us made new acquaintance, and others renewed acquaintance, when Chris and Lauretta Wuethrich of Francesville, Catherine Norr and Gary Bollier of Leo visited us Sunday, July 8.

Several of our mid-week services this month were special to us, because we had brethren from distant and near-by churches join us. July 19, Elder Brother Fred Grimm and Bro. Arthur Gudeman held services for us, and left us with the question: "When the Bible is closed for the last time—What then?" Visiting ministers July 26 were Lorentz and Jesse Emch from Girard.

Sunday, July 28, the Elmer Witzig family and the Ben Hartzlers spent the day with us. Bros. Elmer and Ben led our services.

August 5, we had a number of Michigan visitors. They were Lucille Maibach, Bill and Helen Shaw from Detroit, and the Robert Knochels from Kawkawlin. Lydia

Steiner and the John Steiner family from Rittman were with us, too.

Our elder brother, Rudolph Graf, is now in California, where he will meet Bro. Noah Schrock. They expect to leave August 13 on their trip to Japan.

ATHENS, ALABAMA  
Reporter: Clara Heiniger

A large crowd of young and old filled the Athens church for Vacation Bible School, every night from July 2-5. The children enjoyed the singing and the wonderful hand-work, which had been prepared for all classes by the hands of many loved ones of the Cissna Park church. May God's richest blessings be upon them.

July 1, Sis. Edna Moser of Cissna Park; Sis. Verena Kuerth, Jane Funk of Gridley; Neil Hodel of Eureka; and Sis. Eloise Wagler of Quincy spent a week helping with the Athens Vacation Bible School, which was appreciated and was a blessing to us.

Our visitors Sunday, July 1, were Bro. and Sis. Noah Bauman and daughters, Sisters Mary Ellen, and Jean Bauman, and Carol Bauman and Joan Miller of Rittman; Bro. and Sis. Henry Kilgus, Bro. and Sis. Wayne Honegger, Jane and Kay Honegger of Forrest; Bro. and Sis. Verlin Stoller and Jane and Sharla Stoller.

BAY CITY, MICHIGAN  
Reporter: Faye Wackerle

This past month, we have been richly blessed by these visiting ministers, who have passed on to us some very inspiring messages through God's holy and blessed word. We want to thank Bro. Loren Stoller from Latty, Bro. Frank Woertz from Goodfield and Bro. Robert Stoll from Girard.

Also visiting with us were Bro. and Sis. Elmer Bauman from Goodfield; Bro. and Sis. Gorden Greenbank from Akron, Bro. and Sis. John Bauman from Rittman, Bro. and Sis. Elmer Graf from Rittman, Bro. and Sis. Glenn Knapp and Bro. and Sis. Ed Feller from Cissna; Bro. and Sis. Elmer Steffen from Bluffton, Bro. and Sis. Emanuel Manz from Junction, and Bro. and Sis. Leonard Hitz from Detroit. These are just a few of the many visitors we have had with us in July. We enjoyed having them here to visit our church.

Back in our midst again, after his being in the Service for several months, are Bro. Jim and Sis. Marlene Ramseyer. I'm sure they are very happy to be home again, and we are just as happy to have them here.

The Kneeling Camel

The camel, at the close of day,  
Kneels down upon the sandy plain  
To have his burden lifted off . . .  
And rest to gain.

My soul, thou too shouldst bend thy  
knees,  
When the daylight draweth to a  
close,  
And let thy Master lift thy load,  
And grant repose.

Else how canst thou tomorrow  
meet  
With all tomorrow's work to do,  
If thou thy burden all the night  
Dost carry through?

The camel kneels at break of day  
To have his guide replace his load,  
Then rises up again to take  
The desert road.

So thou shouldst kneel at morning's  
dawn,  
That God may give thee daily care,  
Assured that He no load too great  
Will make thee bear.

Giving—never be afraid of giving  
up your best, and God will give  
you his better.

Burning Bridges—He who cannot  
forgive others breaks the  
bridge over which he must pass  
himself.

Death is the golden key that opens  
the palace of eternity.

BERN, KANSAS  
Reporter: Mrs. Lester Hartter

Speak For Jesus

We talk about the weather  
And the crops of corn and wheat;  
We speak of friends and neighbors  
That pass along the street.  
We call ourself a Christian  
And like the gospel plan—  
Then why not speak for Jesus,  
And speak out like a man?

Are we ashamed of Jesus  
And the story of the cross,

That we lower His pure banner  
And let it suffer loss?  
Have we forgot His suffering?  
Did He die for us in vain?  
If not, then live and speak for Jesus  
And speak out like a man!

One of our ministering brothers (my uncle, Joe Wittmer) in his recent message said: "So often we have a bashfulness or fear to speak out for Jesus."

Our youth is The Church of Tomorrow. On July 21, the Bern Church were hosts to Youth Fellowship. Nine churches in Kansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma came. Many were entertained to supper, after which was hymn singing, and slides of the Holy Land were shown by Bro. Joe Schrock, Congerville. On Sunday, July 22, the Sabetha Church and visitors gathered in the country church for services till afternoon, when we joined the Youth Fellowship in Sabetha for a program and meal. We hope all derived a blessing.

Ella Bauman Dominick, Morton, and her daughter were guests of Sis. Leah Bauman for a few days.

The 5th Wittmer reunion was held at the Sabetha Armory on July 29, with 380 in attendance. An enjoyable time was had by all. (In 1964 the reunion will be held in Illinois.) Bro. Harvey Heiniger, Oakville, and Bro. John Rokey, Goodfield, served us on this day as our guest ministers.

Bro. Elmer Hartter, Milford, and his wife stopped for Tuesday evening services, the first of August. They were then going on to Colorado.

#### **BLUFFTON, INDIANA** **Reporter: Frieda Kipfer**

Sis. Lisetta Beer, who was next on our list for "Know Each Other Better," passed away on July 11 at the Decatur Hospital. She had been seriously ill of a heart ailment for about ten days.

Lisetta was born on July 27, 1874, near Bern, Switzerland. Her parents were Matthias and Mary Ann Liechty. She was the oldest of fourteen children, and eight years of age when the family came to America. Most of her life was spent in Adams County, Indiana.

Her marriage was to Eli Beer, who died in 1936. Twelve children were born to them, four of whom died in infancy. Four sons, Elmer,

Edward, Homer and Melvin also preceded her in death.

Surviving are a son, Leroy of near Decatur, three daughters, Mrs. William (Wilma) Bertsch of Decatur, R. 4; Mrs. Albert (Leona) Wachle and Mrs. John (Sylvia) Ebnit, of Ft. Wayne; 24 grandchildren, and 63 great-grandchildren.

Bros. Sam Aeschliman and Joel Souder (of Leo) officiated at the funeral, and burial was in the church cemetery.

Lois Ann Baumgartner and David Habegger were married on July 15. The wedding took place at the home of her parents, Bro. and Sis. John Baumgartner. Bro. Aeschliman performed the ceremony.

Grave-side services were held for the still-born daughter of Bro. Robert and Sis. Evelyn Stoller Gerber, on July 17. Bro. Aeschliman officiated.

Servicemen who had been stationed at Camp Pickett, Va., had a reunion here on the week end of the 22nd. The next meeting will be in Cissna Park, in 1963.

Elaine Gerber and Gene Baumgartner were married on July 29, at the home of the bride's parents. Bro. John Yergler performed the ceremony.

Martha Jean Stolz and Ralph Baumgartner were married on Aug. 5, at the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Baumgartner. Bro. Sam Aeshliman performed the ceremony.

Visiting ministers were: Elmer Hartter on July 15, Ralph Beyer on July 26, and Loren Stoller on Aug. 5. Other visitors were from Wolcott, Remington, Milford, Elgin, Leo, Latty and Phoenix.

Births: To Michael and Martha Lobsiger, a son; to Bro. and Sis. Richard Kaehr, a son, on July 22; to Harry and Mabel Geisel, a son; to Bro. Walter and Sis. Imogene Aeschliman, a daughter, on Aug. 7.

#### **BREMEN, INDIANA** **Reporter: Lydia Heuberger**

Sis. Catherine Von Bergen is still confined to Community Hospital in Bremen, but is making some improvement.

Sis. Lydia Heuberger submitted to surgery on July 16, and is very thankful to report her condition is improving very satisfactorily. The Great Physician was ever near in time of pain.

"I do not ask that heaven's golden  
treasure  
Upon my little blundering life be  
spent;  
But oh, I ask Thee for the perfect  
pleasure  
Of calm content.

I do not ask to claim the heavenly  
glory,  
Or in some marvel all Thy great-  
ness see,  
But just to tell Thy gospel's won-  
drous story,  
And faithful be."

#### **BURLINGTON, IOWA** **Reporter: Mrs. Ernest Anliker**

Hospital news:

Our sister Bertha Rauhaus, recently submitted to surgery, has gotten along very nicely, and is able to assemble with us again. May God bless her with better health in the coming days.

Michael Applegarth, son of Bro. and Sis. Blaine Applegarth, was hospitalized for some time with a back injury.

Rolyce Scheitlin, son of Bro. and Sis. Kenny Scheitlin, submitted to surgery, for the removal of a hernia.

Our friend, Paul Wagler, entered the service of his country a few weeks ago, and I think would be happy to receive some mail. His address:

Paul Ray Wagler  
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San Diego 33 California

#### **Know Each Other Better** **Song Leader**

**Psalm 95:1-3**

O come, let us sing unto the  
LORD: let us make a joyful noise to  
the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence  
with thanksgiving, and make a joy-  
ful noise unto him with psalms.

For the LORD is a great God, and  
a great King above all gods.

It hardly behooves me to write  
of our eldest song leader, as this  
brother is my husband—but with  
the help of God, I shall write a  
short outline of him.

He has always loved singing, and  
in his Sunday School days sang  
mostly tenor, but could sing all  
voices. While in Sunday School, one  
of the older brothers, (the late)  
Bro. Emil Bruellman of West Bend,  
took much interest in teaching the

notes. Ernie highly respected his teachings of promptness and singing out clearly the melody in your heart. Much melody is lost in a voice which can not sing out.

Ernie turned to the Lord when he was about 20 years old. After that, always sitting with his father, the late Bro. Emil Anliker, who also was a leader, and by the requests of the two older brothers to share with them, Ernie began leading. He does not use a tuning harp.

He, many times, leads and sings with a heart full of sorrow and concern, but finds that singing songs of praise and honor to God helps him to rise above heartaches and discouragement. He also has learned the value of a break-down and having to try again in leading — quoting him, "It keeps us in our place."

Ernie was born, reared, repented, and married at West Bend, moving to Burlington in 1947.

I feel it is only fair to mention our younger leading brothers here in Burlington — Brothers Paul Wagler, Robert Pohl and Edw. Owens, who has been absent several months, serving with the Army Reserve, but will be in our midst again now.

### BURLINGTON, OKLAHOMA

Reporter: Mrs. Raymond Roth

Bros. Noah Schrock, Oakville, and Roy Farney, Phoenix, ministered to us on July 15. Because of failing health, Bro. Roy, who had been our elder for twelve years, resigned. Elder duties were turned over to Bro. Noah. With less labors, worries, and concern, may God bless Bro. Roy with a measure of good health again.

On July 15, our friend, Henry Tanner, was proved and baptized by Bro. Noah Schrock.

Bro. Geo. Lambert of Wichita ministered to us July 29. Bro. George was accompanied by his wife, Sis. Elsie, and son, Don.

We are sorry to have Bro. and Sis. Tim Farney move back to Wichita. They will be greatly missed.

Debra and Janet Springer, daughters of Bro. and Sis. Claud Springer, had tonsillectomies this past month. Other hospital patients are—Sis. Eli Frieden, who suffered a stroke July 31, at this writing is making satisfactory recovery. Bro. Rueben Farney sub-

mitted to a hernia operation Aug. 8. Our friend, Ed Farney, who was operated on for cancer of the tongue and neck at Wichita June 27, was transferred by ambulance to the Kiowa Hospital Aug. 9, and is also making satisfactory progress.

### CISSNA PARK, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Jeff Young

Bro. Fred Frank passed away on Thursday, July 19. His funeral was held on Sunday July 22, with Bro. Emanuel Gudeman in charge.

On Sunday, July 29, we were wonderfully blessed when Bros. Dave Mangold and Joe Getz visited our congregation.

On Aug. 5, Sis. Joan Rinckenberger and Bro. Keith Hanson were married, with Bro. Frank Woertz performing the ceremony. Other visiting ministers on that day were Bros. Ed Hohulin and Josh Broquard. It was indeed a blessed day.

We have afflicted ones among us, not only the aged, but also the youth: Sis. Bertha Sinn, who had the misfortune of breaking a bone in her foot, also, little Mark Alt, son of Bro. and Sis. Ed Alt, had a similar mishap; Larry Kaufmann, son of Bro. and Sis. Bob Kaufmann, Rodney Wyss, son of Don Wyss, and John Mott, son of Sis. Margaret and Russel Mott, had surgery at this writing. They are all improved.

A new address—

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### CONGERVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Marjorie Knapp

Bros. Frances Rother and Henry Grimm, Morton, preached the Gospel Word to us July 22.

Two new Sunday School teachers were elected August 5 by the congregation. They are Bros. Don Schrock and Ed Steffen Jr. We wish them God's grace in their new responsibility.

### Song Leader

Our eldest song leader is Bro. John E. Rocke, born May 4, 1896, on a farm near Roanoke, the son of Jeff and Lucy Stoller Rocke. On October 24, 1920, he and Sis. Ida Zimmerman were united in marriage at Congerville. They were blessed with a daughter, Lorene (Mrs. Clarence Schlipf) and have

two granddaughters, Alice and Emily. Bro. John has farmed all his life, and has lived in the Congerville area most of his married life.

Shortly after he entered the Army in 1918, he began to realize how uncertain his life was and how dangerous it is to keep delaying repentance. He began his repentance at that time. When he had to come before the officers to testify that he would not bear arms now because of his religious beliefs, one of the officers asked him, "If you are a believer in the principles and creed of that church, why didn't you join that church before you entered the Army?" This is a question for many of the friends to seriously consider. Bro. John was baptized May, 1919, by Bro. Mike Mangold, at Roanoke.

He became very interested in singing while attending singing lessons held by Bro. Sam Hohulin, after mid-week services. In 1928, he was asked to help lead singing in the church. He has also held the offices of trustee and treasurer at Congerville since 1946.

Bro. John stated, "I think singing is one of the most important things in the church, besides the sermon. I had a lot of inspiration from singing, even before I was a member. I think that the words of a song sometimes have a clearer meaning than spoken words, because a person is participating rather than just listening."

### CROGHAN-NAUMBURG, N. Y.

Reporter: Mrs. Clayton Virkler

Our congregations rejoiced greatly with Donald and Alice Farney, that they found the grace to repent. They were taken up in baptism on June 24. The elder brothers, John Bahler and Noah Bauman, were here to officiate, and in the evening communion was served.

On July 2, Elder Bro. Fred Grimm and Bro. Art Gudeman were present with us, to minister to our congregations. We heartily enjoyed their visit.

Debbie Widrick, daughter of Gilbert and Betty Widrick of the Croghan congregation, fell and broke her wrist.

Sis. Lena Virkler, wife of the ministering brother, Jonas Virkler, and also her sister, Sis. Sarah Farney, wife of Bro. Hiram Farney,

have been hospital patients, but both are at home recuperating.

Bro. Lowell Virkler was hospitalized with a gall bladder attack, but is now at home.

Our visitors for the past month were as follows: Earl and Lucille Feller; Elizabeth Kieser; Julia and Perceda Honegger; Lena Asal; Hannah Koch; Lois Lehman; Kay Polk; Marie Marti; Ruth Banwart; Dorothy Knochel; Mr. and Mrs. John Furrer; Elmer and Lorene Blough and daughter, Ruth Ann; Bill and Helen Frye; Roger, Gertrude and Debbie Sauter; Leland and Lorena Zimmerman and children; Elverna Berry; Lauretta Hoerr; and Elaine Norr.

### ELGIN, IOWA

**Reporter: Mrs. George Butikofer**

Once again we are aware of how God has blessed our fields and meadows. The small grain has yielded well, and the corn crop appears to be developing very nicely. May we never forget to thank Him for our many benefits, for body and soul, which are so bountifully provided each day.

We will miss Bro. Uriel Gehring, Sis. Judy and their children, after they return to Burlington. Uriel has been attending school at Cedar Falls and ministering here on Sundays.

Robert Schupbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Schupbach has entered the Marine Corps for a four-year period.

Norma and Janet Gehring were guests of their sister, Dr. Edith Gehring, who had just completed her one year of internship at the Cincinnati General Hospital. She joined her two sisters on their journey to Washington, D.C., where she took up her three-year residency at the General Hospital of that city. Norma teaches history, and no doubt was able to secure many interesting facts on her trip, which she makes use of in her classroom. She will be starting her teaching again at Peoria, Arizona, this fall, and staying with her sister, Joyce, and her family at Phoenix.

We were blessed with many guests this summer . . . Bro. Albert and Sis. Elizabeth Wuthrich came from Pulaski . . . Certainly enjoyed Bro. Albert's sermon and hope they can come again before a long time has elapsed.

This goes for our other guests, too.

Among others were: Sisters Lucile Maibach, Detroit; Emma Wackerle, Eula Maibach, Helen Weiland, Bay City; Leah and Helen Ramseyer, Auburn, Mich.; Bro. and Sis. John Bauman, Sisters Mabel Bauman, Maggie Bauman, and Mary Ellen Bauman, and Mr. Isaac Gehring, Sterling, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Pulfer, Kathy and Doris from Pekin, Ill.; Sis. Ida Pulfer from Gridley, Ill.; Bro. and Sis. Wm. Butikofer and family and Sis. Lena Pulfer from Davenport, Ia.; Lois Pulfer from Oelwein, Ia.; Bro. and Sis. Ben Wagler and Bro. and Sis. Ernie Anliker, Burlington; Mary Kelly, Jesup, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Curtis, Bobby and Mary Beth, Minneapolis; Mrs. Carrie Wiegand from Forrest; Sis. Rose Frieden from Taylor; Bonnie Tripp from Fayette, Ia.; Mrs. Irma Weaver and children, Tim, James, and Kim, from Washington, Illinois.

Sis. Rose Schmidt has not been feeling well, and is at this writing confined at the West Union Hospital . . . Our hope is she will soon be enjoying better health. May God bless the treatment she receives.

About 157 attended a reunion held at the Elgin Park. This was for the descendants of the late Bro. Joseph and Sis. Mary Schneider and their families.

### EUREKA, ILLINOIS

**Reporter: Cathryn Wettstein**

The visiting ministers the past month were as follows: Bro. Michael Weyeneth from Peoria; Bro. Al Scheitlin and Bro. Ed Gudeman from Elgin; Bro. Willis Ehnle from Japan. The visits of our guest ministers are always inspiring, and we welcome them back again.

Sunday, July 22 a large group of young people from the Bible Classes from Elgin and Cissna Park were special guests in our church. Their Sunday School teachers came with them. A supper was planned and held at the Eureka Lake picnic area. In the evening, our monthly singing was held, so the Bible Classes took an active part. They sang several numbers. Also an octet from Elgin sang. It was a day that the blessings of God could be enjoyed in word and song . . . Hope the young people enjoyed the day with us.

Another friend has found the need of repentance. Her name is Wilma (Wittmer) Lehman. May God help her, as she makes a new beginning in her life.

Correction: At the time of the passing away of Bro. Ben Bittner, I should have stated, that he had a heart attack, which caused him to fall, and his death was instantly.

August 1, Wednesday evening, the Roanoke congregation assembled with us. Bro. Joe Zimmerman conducted the services. We enjoy having them assemble with us the first Wednesday of each month.

Curtis Rocke is seeking the Lord in repentance. He is the son of Bro. Virgil and Sis. Pauline Rocke.

Birth: A son, Larry Dean, born to Bro. Fred and Sis. Wilma Fischer, August 8.

### FAIRBURY, ILLINOIS

**Reporter: Joyce Huber**

We praise the Lord that five young girls have been drawn to repentance, and taken the Lord as their Saviour. They are: Roberta Meyer, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Amos Meyer; Rosemary Meiss, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Eli Meiss; Bonnie Bach, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Reuben Bach; Kathleen Steffen, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ben Steffen; and Linda Hartman, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Warren Hartman. We pray that they will grow in grace, and draw yet others to seek the peace and joy as they have found.

Bro. Frank Honegger, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Fairview Haven, reports that much progress is being made in completing the home for senior citizens. Anyone interested may write for information or application to Eli Leman, Acting Adm., Fairview Haven, as they will be ready for occupancy in about 60 days.

We enjoyed inspiring sermons on Sunday, July 15, by Bro. Clarence Yackley of Phoenix, who visited here.

Bro. John Gerber passed away, and funeral services were held July 29.

### FORREST, ILLINOIS

**Reporter: Nancy Honegger**

We are thankful for the blessings received by the visits and messages of several ministers. They were: Bro. Henry Sabo, Mansfield, and

Bro. Clarence Yackley, Phoenix, Sunday evening, July 15; Bros. Carl Kipfer and Sam Aeschliman, Bluffton, July 22; Bros. Earl and Sam Kilgus, Remington, July 29; and Bro. Leroy Hartman, Peoria, and Bro. Francis Rother, Morton, on August 5.

Sis. Martha Honegger spent three weeks at the Ottawa Arthritis Clinic.

Bro. Andy Lehmann has suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. He has made a slight improvement at this writing, although improvement is slow.

#### FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA Reporter: Florence Sutter

Florida has been blest in recent weeks with many wonderful and refreshing rains, for which we are very thankful.

Some of our summer guests have been: Bro. Roy Schnieder and wife, Sis. Joyce, of Rockville; Bro. Albert Hunziker and family of Morton; Bro. Aaron Sauder, his wife, also daughter, Louise, of Mansfield; Bro. Walter Pfister and wife, Sis. Judith; Bro. Howard Baumgartner and family, also Gene Baumgartner and wife, Elaine; Mr. and Mrs. Habegger (Lois Ann Baumgartner), all of Bluffton; Bro. Fred Meyers and Sis. Marie, also daughter, Patti; Sis. Olga and Ida Laubsher of Chicago; Henry Traub, his wife, Marie, and daughters, Janet and Carolyn, of Peoria. Lewis Farney and wife, Hazel, of Mesa, Arizona, visited with the Harry Sutter family.

A farewell picnic is being planned for Walter Betz, son of Bro. Andy and Sis. Louise Betz, who is leaving for the Army soon. We wish him God's blessings and a safe return home.

Sis. Marian Bachtold and Roberta and Sis. Maryln Kupfershmitt plan to leave for Ft. Lauderdale August 11 to visit their parents, Bro. and Sis. Carl Bachtold.

Several couples enjoyed eating out and spending an interesting evening, Sunday, August 5, at the Charlie and Sis. Louise Akel home in Miami, looking at antiques.

#### FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS Reporter: Juanita Schneider

During the month of July, the Ft. Sam group had quite a few visitors, for which we are happy. On

July 1 week end, Bro. William Wiegand and daughter, Sally, and Judy Schuck, all from Morton, came to Ft. Hood to visit Bro. Dave Wiegand, then came down to visit Ft. Sam on Sunday.

On the second week end of the month, Bro. Francis and Sis. Verena Rother, Mary Jean, Margie and Kathy, of Morton were with us. The group enjoyed hearing the word which was spoken by Bro. Rother.

On the 4th week end, several from Junction were with us. Bro. Henry Manz asked Bro. Jesse and Sis. Lillian Schrock of Congerville to accompany them. Along with them were Bro. Elias Manz, Lester and David, and Sisters Hulda and Henrietta Manz. We felt very fortunate in having two ministers with us.

Also, if one considers the miles covered by our visitors, we can be thankful if they arrive and then can return home safely again.

Bro. Harold and Sis. Aldine Moser, Ann, Cynthia and Dwight, of Bluffton spent a few days in San Antonio, visiting their son and brother, Phil, who received orders for Europe and left on July 27. His new address is:

Pvt Philip R Moser US 55712853  
61 MDDSP General  
APO 217 New York New York

Also visiting the Duane Schneiders were Sis. Martha, Sis. Emma, and Bro. Toby Schneider of Peoria, Evelyn Clymer and sons, Kenny and Denny of Eureka, as well as Duane's sister, Mary.

Bro. Paul Haab of Milford and Bro. Harvey Kaisner of Maywood arrived here for basic training. Their addresses are:

Pvt Paul Haab  
Pvt Harvey Kaisner  
Co D 3rd Bn USAMTC  
Class 2B  
Fort Sam Houston Texas

Richard Nuest's new address is:  
Pvt Richard Nuest US 55744298  
Co. B 2nd BN  
USAMTC Class 6A  
Fort Sam Houston Texas

As of yet, we have not received a schedule of the ministers following the month of August. However, we encourage any correspondence to be carried out with Duane Schneiders, 202 Queen Anne Ct., or the Conrad Gersts, 115A Pershing, San Antonio 9, Texas.

#### FORT SCOTT, KANSAS Reporter: Marie Zaugg

Sisters Lena Eberle and Marie Steiner of Peoria; Ruth Hohulin, Goodfield; Emma Blume, Wolcott; and Lena Knochel, Remington, were on a trip through the West. They visited here the week end of July 15.

July 17, Bro. and Sis. Glenn Knapp and family, Congerville, were guests of Bro. and Sis. Martin Hohulin and family.

Bro. and Sis. Joel Fiechter, Bluffton; Bro. and Sis. Willis Stoller, Paulding (Ohio), worshipped with us Aug. 5. In the evening, inspiring messages were spoken to us by Elder Bros. Leroy Huber, Eureka, and Sam Anliker, Lamont. Their wives were with them. Others visiting were Bro. Ben Banwart, Bro. Fred Marti and Bro. and Sis. Lester Braker, Lamar, Bro. and Sis. Roy Wernli and children, Lamont. Several more from Lamont and Lamar, also Bro. and Sis. Sidney Leman, Forrest, and Bro. and Sis. Jerry Steffen, Goodfield, were present.

#### Know Each Other Better Song Leaders

In the past, our congregation has had several song leaders, including my father, Bro. John Zaugg. Our family moved to Fort Scott from Morris, in 1922. He led singing here until he passed away in 1946.

After his death, the leading rested on Bro. Raymond Banwart. Bro. Raymond is the son of Bro. Ben and Sis. Cecelia Banwart of Lamar. He repented and was baptized by Bro. Dave Mangold in 1939. He came to Fort Scott in 1943, where he started to work for Key Work Clothes Inc., and is still with the same company. In 1945, he was united in marriage to Sis. Kathryn Somerhalder, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Elias Somerhalder, Burlington, Oklahoma. They have twin sons, Donnie and Lonnie, age 14. Kathryn is quite talented and enjoys singing, being of much help. Quite frequently she carries a song through that the rest would be unable to carry.

In 1951, Bro. Jim Bahr, son of the deceased Bro. Henry Bahr, of Gridley (Kansas) came to Fort Scott. He assisted in leading, until he was chosen minister in 1957. Bro. Jim's wife was Sis. Annabelle

Strahm, daughter of Bro. Charley Strahm, Sabetha. They have three children.

Bro. Lyle Fischer, son of Bro. and Sis. Eli Fischer, Washington (Ill.) is another leader. He married Sis. Lillian Massner, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Dave Massner, Fort Scott. They have lived in this community since their marriage. They have four children.

Bros. Lyle and Raymond assist one another in leading. In their absence, Sis. Kathryn leads. If she isn't here, Bro. Emil Banwart or one of the ministers lead the singing.

### FRANCESVILLE, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Elmer Bucher

"... Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:14)

Our annual Sunday School Picnic was well attended, on Sunday afternoon, July 22, at the Francesville Park. After the picnic, we had a short program and a talk from Bro. Harry Bucher from Valparaiso. It is always a joy to see so many children of all ages, together, and few of us really realize the responsibility the teachers have in helping to mould these young minds. May God bless all our teachers for their efforts that are so often taken for granted.

Another young soul, Virginia Von Tobel, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Virgil Von Tobel, has answered the call to repentance. We rejoice with her.

On July 29, Bro. Walt Sinn from Latty and Sis. Renee Niehouser were married here. They were married by Elder Bro. George Sinn, father of the groom. We wish them God's rich blessings. Other visiting ministers for the day were Bros. Norman Stoller and Earl Zeltwanger.

On Aug. 5, our visiting ministers were Bro. Sam Kilgus and Alfred Bahler.

We are very thankful to have Bro. Rommey Gudeman back with us, after many months of illness. Sis. Marlene Erb is able to be with us some.

Bro. and Sis. Andre Niehouser have been blest with their second son, Jeffrey Lee, born on July 31.

We are enjoying our new carpeting and benches, which have recently been installed in our assembly room and halls.

### Someone Prayed

The day was long; the illness I had borne  
Seemed heavier than I could longer bear,  
And then it lifted—but I did not know  
Someone had knelt for me in prayer . . .

Had taken me to God that very hour  
And asked the easing of my pain, and He,  
In infinite compassion, had stooped down  
To lighten, then give rest to me.

Someone had prayed, by faith in Christ, a hand  
Took hold of God and brought Him down  
To touch my hand in sweet relief and peace,  
For I am His, and He doth know His own.

### GIRARD, OHIO

Reporter: Jesse C. Emch

Our guests since the last news were as follows: Sis. Kathryn Hecker from Altadena was with us for three Sundays, July 8, 15, and 22; Sunday, July 15, Bro. Ezra and Sis. Luella Beer, Bro. Jesse and Sis. Eunice Beer and children of Milford, Sisters Lula and Esther Bachman and Freida and Mary Winkler of Rittman; Sunday, July 22, the Robert Graf family of Barberton, O.; Sunday, July 29, Bro. and Sis. Howard Beer and Linda, Bro. and Sis. Gerald Fiechter and Mike of Bluffton; Sunday, Aug. 5, Bro. Wm. Knobloch of Carlisle, Pennsylvania. We were very happy to have each one with us. Come again.

Bro. Ernest Hafely was in the hospital for several days, due to a stroke, and is now home again. We hope it will not be too long until he can be with us in church. Sis. Anna Hafely was also in the hospital for a few days and is home again.

On Sunday evening, Aug. 5, all were invited to the home of Harold Emchs. We enjoyed the evening very much, in fellowship and singing of hymns.

### GOODFIELD, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Marian Wiegand

Clyde and Charlene Knobloch are the parents of a baby boy, Barry

Jay, born July 15. The maternal grandparents are Bro. and Sis. Chris Hohulin of Goodfield.

Sis. Naomi Nohl suffered a broken hip at her home, July 30. She is at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria, and improving satisfactorily.

Bro. Sam Landes has been hospitalized for surgery at the Methodist Hospital in Peoria.

### A thought

"God has two thrones—one in the highest heaven, one in the lowliest heart."

### GRIDLEY, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mary Alyce Witzig

We wish to thank Sis. Marilyn Schieler for her good and faithful service as reporter from our Gridley congregation in the past.

We rejoice with our six new converts—Carol Schlipf, daughter of Adam and Lulu Schlipf; Vera and Orlan Miller, daughter and son of Bro. Rudolph and Sis. Esther Miller; Gail Funk, daughter of Bro. Wilbert and Sis. Violette Funk; Janice and Jerome Witzig; twin daughter and son of Bro. Sam and Sis. Louise Witzig. Our friend, Tom Schifferer, son of Fred and Sis. Louise Schifferer of Elgin, Illinois, who is spending the summer here with relatives, has also turned to the Lord. We wish our new converts much grace from above.

Announcement was made on July 15 of the engagement of Sis. Lois Wettstein and Bro. Lyle Stoller of Latty. September 30 is the date they have chosen for their wedding. We certainly wish them God's rich blessings.

Ruth Rinkenberger, daughter of Orville and Elaine Rinkenberger, and Artie Stoller, son of Bro. Reuben and Sis. Emily Stoller, were united in marriage by our elder, Bro. Joe Klopfenstein, on July 15, at the home of the groom's parents.

Clarence and Shirlye Wettstein are the parents of a baby girl, Nancie Helen, born July 25. Nancie has one brother, Michael.

Our dear Bro. Joe Miller passed away at his home on July 11, after a short illness. Bro. Emanuel Gudeman of Cissna Park conducted the funeral services Saturday, July 14. We shall all miss Bro. Joe very much.

### In Memory of Joe Miller

As if on silent wings of night



That follows happy, carefree days,  
His soul arose and took its flight  
Out o'er the distant, unknown  
ways.

We mourn his going, miss his  
smile;  
His voice still echoes through the  
room.  
Our thoughts now travel, mile on  
mile,  
O'er paths his feet so oft did roam.

His, now, to know the secret code  
That only those in death can know;  
Our's now to tramp a lonely road,  
O'er which cross-bearing feet must  
go.

We'll hide this testing-time in hope,  
And pray that faith may not  
depart.  
God's love, all-seeing in its scope,  
Will not neglect a breaking heart.

#### GRIDLEY, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Rudy Bahr

We are happy to report that Donna Lu Somerhalder, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Joe Somerhalder, has recovered in fine shape. First, she fell and broke her arm just above the wrist, and two weeks later received an injury on her eyelid. A bullet from a BB gun ricocheted and struck her eyelid, causing it to hemorrhage slightly. She was hospitalized around five days.

Visitors the past month: Bro. and Sis. Dave Massner, Ft. Scott; Bro. and Sis. Godfrey Miller and Chris, Eldorado; Mrs. Esther Johnston, Seattle, Washington; Mrs. Mary Ann (Beyer) McCurry, Linda and Ann, Madison; Bro. and Sis. Martin Hohulin and family, Bro. and Sis. Lyle Fisher and family, Connie and Evelyn Miller, Ft. Scott; Matt Strahm, Kansas City; Jan, Luanne, and Teri Sherman, Kiowa; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bahr and family, Phoenix; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bahr and sons, Topeka; Mr. and Mrs. Winferd Povenmire, Independence, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Diel and family, Burlington, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Caudell and family, Neosho, Mo.; Mrs. Gladys Botham and family, Kansas City.

The two small classes of Sunday School went to Sis. Ida Esslinger's home during class-time on August 5. Sis. Bertha Beyer gave the lesson, and they all sang.

Bro. and Sis. Joe Somerhalder

and family are leaving our congregation and moving to Lamar. May the Lord be with them and bless them in their new undertaking.

Sis. Dorene Strahm has kindly consented to be our reporter. I have enjoyed being a reporter, and know that Sis. Dorene will make a fine contribution to the Silver Lining's important work of strengthening the brotherhood.

#### HILLSBORO, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

Sis. Julia Hale and her son visited at the home of her mother, Sis. Martha Evans, July 21.

July 24, our visitors, Sis. Huldah, Sis. Henrietta Manz, Bro. Henry Manz, Bro. Elias Manz, and sons, David and Lester, of Paulding, and Bro. and Sis. Jesse Schrock of Congerville spent the evening holding services at the Grayson, Ala., church. It is located 17 miles south of Moulton, up the mountain in a lumber and sawmill camp, where we were having Vacation Bible School from July 23-27.

#### ILLINOIS STATE NORMAL UNIVERSITY

Reporter: Joyce Kaufmann

Bro. Walter Anliker from Eureka was our guest speaker on July 12. Many guests were present.

On July 19, Bro. Joe Zimmerman from Roanoke was with us. In addition to those attending school at I S N U this summer, guests were present from Roanoke, Congerville, Gridley, Morton, Cissna Park, Urbana, and Goodfield.

The lesson was given by Bro. Willis Ehnle on July 26. Guests were present from neighboring churches and also from Indiana and Arizona.

Bro. Joe Schrock gave the lesson on August 2. It was decided to have meetings during post session too. This includes the last two weeks in August and the first week in September.

#### JAPAN

Substitute Reporter: Betty Klaus

We are happy to report that Bro. Yoshito Inoue has left the hospital, and is now recuperating. We hope he will soon be able to help in the ministry, as at present, for the churches here, there are only three ministers. Bro. Akito Inoue had a slight blood disorder, and their sister, Junko, contracted a slight case

of T.B. May the Lord be with this family in their trials.

We are all looking forward to the visit of our two elders, Bros. Noah Schrock and Rudolph Graf, on August 16. Plans are being made for some special meetings. Please pray with us that many who do not know of our loving Saviour may come and hear the true words of God. May the Lord bless the elders and their visit and grant them a safe journey. "The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him . . ." Psalm 34:7.

A special meeting, to be held at a park, is planned this Sunday for the Tsutsujiga-Oka Sunday School. A picnic is planned for after the services. Four of the members plan to accompany the children. May the Lord bless the seeds sown in these tender hearts, that they may bring forth fruit for harvest day.

#### LA CROSSE, INDIANA

Reporter: Albert J. Bucher

Our visiting ministers the past month were Elder Bros. Fred Grimm of Quincy and Theo Beer of Milford, on July 17. Evening services were held.

On July 15, funeral services were held here for Sis. Lea Meiss from Lamar. She had formerly lived in LaCrosse, before moving to Lamar with her daughter and family, the Ben Brakers.

We are happy to report we have some new converts, Frank Gude-man, Garnet Nuest (Richard's wife), and Steven Bucher. We wish them God's grace and blessing.

Our Sunday School held their annual picnic on July 29, and are now having vacation during the month of August.

Keith Heinold, son of Bro. and Sis. Ray Heinold, left for Service July 12. His address is,

Keith Heinold 55745492  
Co F 12 Bn 3rd Tng Bde  
U S ATC Armar

Fort Knox Kentucky

Bro. Phil Heinold, another son of Ray's, had a 14-day leave, returning to his base at Fort Hood, Texas, Aug. 6.

#### LAMAR, MISSOURI

Reporter: Marie Marti

We are so happy that Joan Banwart has turned to the Lord and is seeking peace with God. We wish her God's richest blessings.

Our dear sister, Leah Meiss, passed away July 12, and has gone to a better land, to gain the reward for which she was striving. She possessed those Christian virtues which are needed to be a light to those round about her.

Visitors this past month were: Bro. and Sis. Jesse Schrock, Bro. Henry Manz, Bro. and Sis. Eli Manz and family, Bro. Sam Anliker, Bro. Fred Luthi, Bro. and Sis. Leroy Huber and family, Bro. and Sis. Sidney Leman and family, Bro. and Sis. Gus Sinn, Bro. and Sis. Jim Bahr and family, Bro. Emil Banwart, Bro. Willie Sinn, Bro. and Sis. Dan Sinn and family, Bro. and Sis. Raymond Banwart and family, and Sis. Waneta Sinn.

We appreciated the inspiring messages brought to us by Bros. Manz and Schrock, on the evening of July 19.

We were manifoldly blessed on Sunday, Aug. 5, when Bros. Huber and Anliker served us in Holy Communion. We enjoyed two messages of faith, love, and hope, spoken in truth clearly and plainly, on the same date.

#### LAMONT, KANSAS

Reporter: Mrs. Bernie Emch

Our visitors Sunday, July 15, were Bro. Robert and Sis. Dora Young of the Wichita church, Bro. and Sis. Virgil Frieden and children of Lamar, and Bro. and Sis. Joseph Somerhalder and children of Gridley, Kansas.

It was a blessing for Sis. Lizzie Young, that her health permitted her to assemble with us Sunday, Aug. 5, after her illness.

Bro. Bernie Emch entered Wesley Hospital in Wichita, Aug. 8, and major surgery was performed August 10.

#### LANDERSVILLE, ALABAMA

Reporter: Clara Heiniger

A daughter, Vonda Joyce, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Drake, July 3. The grandparents are Lester and Sis. Bessie Drake.

Bro. Carl Nayler had been sick in the hospital for several days, but is at home again.

Friday night, July 13, a large group met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Washi Frost for worship service.

Many young and old folks filled the Landersville church every

night for Vacation Bible School, during July 16-20. Everyone enjoyed the good singing, and the children enjoyed their hand work and their memory verses, which they learned to hide in their hearts.

The Waglers, Hales, and Simmons families enjoyed a birthday supper for Mauveline Harville, Thurs. evening, July 19, at the home of Ed and Mauveline and their family.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Naylor, July 26. She was named Janet Darlene.

Sis. Barbara Simmons spent a week, helping her sister, Lucy Lee, who was sick in a Chicago hospital, and Bro. Chester Simmons, Billy Jo and Mauveline Harville, spent a week end to bring Barbara home.

#### LATTY, OHIO

Reporter: Roberta Stoller

Visiting ministers this past month included: Bro. Henry Beer of Milford, who was with us Wed. evening, July 11; Bro. Orville Ringger of Bluffton and Bro. Edwin Bahler of Remington, on July 15; and Bro. John Bollier of Leo on July 22. We thank the brothers for their visits and for the messages they brought.

Our visitors this month were from Fairbury, Rockville, Oakville, Francesville, Bluffton, Remington, Mansfield, Junction, Fairbury, Wolcott, Cissna Park, Leo, Bay City, and Gridley.

We recently had two engagements announced here in Latty: Bro. Lyle Stoller, son of Bro. Dan and Sis. Laura Stoller, and Sis. Lois Wettstein, daughter of Bro. Ben and Sis. Anna Wettstein of Gridley, Illinois—and Sis. Paula Sinn, daughter of Bro. Dan and Sis. Nellie Sinn, and Bro. Ray Haab, son of Bro. Elmer and Sis. Rose Haab of Milford.

Sis. Rosie Guingrich is quite ill in the hospital. Delores Rigenbach was in the hospital for minor surgery, but is better now. Sis. Marguerite Stoller is back again, after being laid up.

Our community was deeply saddened to hear that Sis. Barbara (Stoller) Keysor, 23, wife of George Keysor, passed away Aug. 10. She had been ill 2 months. A baby daughter was stillborn three days before. Barbara is the daughter of Sis. Alice and the late Arthur

Stoller. Beside her husband and mother, she is survived by two brothers, Ralph and Bro. Russell, and three sisters, Sis. Marjorie Fischer of Roanoke, Sis. Pat Gerber of Bluffton, and Sis. Gloria Miller of here. Funeral services are to be held Sunday, Aug. 12.

#### LESTER, IOWA

Reporter: Emelie Knobloch

Our community was deeply saddened over the tragic death of Ruth Feucht, daughter of Bro. and Sis. August Feucht. Ruth drowned while at a family picnic, July 22. Funeral services were held July 25. May God grant comfort to the family during their hours of sadness. Many folks from Morris, Winthrop, West Bend, Peoria, Princeville, Morton, and Elgin (Ill.) attended the funeral.

Among the ill: Clifford Wulf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Wulf, is seriously ill with lockjaw, after having a leg injury from a power take-off a few days before. Susan Knobloch, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Martin Knobloch, is recovering from a broken shoulder bone, suffered when a pole fell on her.

Births: to Bro. and Sis. Robert Gerber, a son, June 17, Mark William; to Bro. and Sis. Wilhelm Wulf, a son, July 23, Leroy Martin.

#### MAYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

Reporter: Dora Sauder

Recent visitors of the Maywood church were: Bro. Emil and Sis. Matilida Schauwecker of Mansfield; Bro. Emil and Sis. Anna Stoller and Bro. Jesse and Sis. Mary Gerber, Paulding (Ohio); Sis. Florence Hangartner and daughter, Sis. Mary Ellen Hangartner, Roanoke; Friend (Mrs.) Casper Jaggi, Tuscon, Ariz.; Sis. (Mrs.) Deloy Mills, Ft. Wayne; Bro. and Sis. Eli Gerber, Sisters Irene, Lydia, Frances, and Frieda Kipfer, Bluffton, and Sis. Lydia Meyer, Sabetha.

Bro. Harvey Kaisner has been called into the service of our country. His address is:

Pvt Harvey Kaisner US 56355047  
Co D 3rd Bn USAMTC

Class 2B

Ft Sam Houston Texas

#### MILFORD, INDIANA

Reporter: Arthur Haab

Our visiting ministers in July were Bro. Willis Ehnle, Normal, (Ill.); Bro. Fred Grimm, Taylor;

and Bro. Arthur Gudeman, La Crosse.

We had visitors from Peoria, Mansfield, and Francesville. We were glad for their visits and the active part they took in helping in our Sunday School.

Bill Beer, son of Bro. Otto and Sis. Barbara Beer, is engaged to Evelyn Swinehart of Goshen, Indiana.

Bro. Paul Haab is engaged to Sis. Kathy Grimm, of Taylor.

### MORTON, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. B. E. Getz

Bro. Robert Frank and Sis. Rosemary Huette were united in marriage July 22 by Bro. Joe A. Getz.

Funeral services were held August 8 for Sis. Anna L. Ackerman. J. A. Getz officiated, assisted by Bro. Geo. Yergler of La Crosse and Bro. Jos. Zimmerman of Roanoke.

Linda Sue, 7 days old, came to live with Bro. Milton Grimm and Sis. Shirley.

Bro. Carl Schick and Sis. Marie Woerner were united in marriage August 8. Bro. Joe A. Getz officiated.

Sis. Lydia Bauman suffered a light stroke, and is staying at the home of her sister, Sis. Lucy Bruell.

Funeral services were held August 6 for Daniel Musselman, 64. He was the son of Chris and Rose Beyers Musselman.

### NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. VA.

Reporter: Mrs. Gus Weltz

Best news from here at this time is that we have had two good refreshing rains, one on August 8 and another on August 9. It has been so very dry here, that agricultural agents predict that the farmers will lose 40 percent of the crops, because of the lack of rain when it was most needed.

On July 14, it was our pleasure to have a call from four young ladies, Arles Kropf of Wolcott, Emily Kilgus of Remington, Arlene Knapp and Elsie Ehnman of Cissna Park, who had been on vacation, motoring up this way enroute home. Even though it was raining, we went out to the country church, which was one of the places they desired to visit.

A. E. Riggenbach, Mrs. Elza Ritz, Mrs. Gus Weltz, Mrs. F. D. Bleuer, Carl and Paul Berger, attended church services at the Monroe

Church on Sunday, July 22. Mrs. Emma Berger of St. Marys and her son, Clyde Berger, of Moundsville also attended.

Mrs. R. D. Williams and granddaughter, Carla Sue Wells, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Brandle of Akron visited the last of the week, August 4 and 5, with the Barth Families.

The Berger reunion was held here at City Park on August 12. The Witschey reunion was held at City Park on August 26.

Mrs. K. W. Calvert (Grace Emch) is recovering nicely from an extended illness.

Mrs. Elizabeth Games has returned to her home in Girard, after a several weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. J. G. Burgess, and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bliss of Warren, O. her daughter and son-in-law, came for her.

A. E. Riggenbach, Dan Witschey, Mrs. J. G. Burgess and Mrs. Elizabeth Games visited on August 9 with relatives and friends on Limestone Ridge.

Mrs. Gus Weltz, Mrs. R. D. Williams, Mrs. Elza Ritz and Mrs. C. O. Wade went to Vienna, W Va., on August 3 and visited with their brother, F. E. Barth.

Mr. and Mrs. John Widmer of Sterling visited here on July 24 and were the overnight guests of Miss Della Witschey. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Froelich of Rittman, were also visitors here at the same time, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Froelich.

The services at the Limestone church were postponed on July 22 because of the baptismal service at the Monroe Church. However, the last service for the summer will be held on August 26.

### OAKVILLE, IOWA

Reporter: Mrs. Ezra Gerst

On July 15, a daughter, Linda Kay, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Siegle. Richard is the son of Bro. and Sis. Fred Siegle. A baby boy, Gerald LeRoy Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald LeRoy Wagenbach on July 16. Gerald is the son of Bro. and Sis. John Wagenbach.

Bro. Wm. Rauhaus has been in the hospital the last five weeks, following surgery. We wish him God's grace and strength to return home again soon.

Bro. Earl Massner was hospital-

ized again for a short time, as a result of burns suffered last winter.

Bro. and Sis. Orel Steiner went to bring their son home, who is on leave from the Army. They returned home on Aug. 4. Bro. John will be married on Aug. 12 to Sis. Carol Wagenbach, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Simon Wagenbach of Tremont. Sis. Carol will go with him, when he returns to Fort Sam Houston.

We were happy to have Bro. Simon Wagenbach and his family with us on Aug. 5.

Our elder, Noah Schrock, left here Thursday for a trip to Japan. Bro. Rudolph Graf will go with him. We hope God will bless their efforts and will protect them on their journey.

### HISTORY

1904 — 1962

At the turn of the century, three elder brothers from Illinois, Jacob Rich, Engelbert Grusy and Dan Mangold, of Gridley and Roanoke made a survey of the Oakville-Huron bottom lands. On their advice, six families migrated to this community to make their homes. They were Otto R. Gerst and Theophil Fischer of Roanoke, Henry K. Gerst of Gridley, Andrew Yackley of Peoria, Peter Glaser of Cissna Park and John Voelpel of Morton.

This small group held one meeting in the one-room school, which was known as the Williams school, located on land now farmed by David Sheridan, directly across from the farm now operated by Richard Anliker. Thereafter, they assembled in homes, until 1904, when a new church was built, a half mile north of this school building.

Bro. Peter Glaser was first to begin preaching, and a few weeks later Bro. Henry Gerst assisted him. The following spring, Bro. Albert Reiman and Bro. Albert Rauhaus moved from New Boston, Ill., to this side of the Mississippi. Bro. Reiman was a minister, and he continued to help Bro. Gerst, as Bro. Glaser ceased in the ministry.

This same year, a number of other families moved to this community. They were the John Stoller, Fred Donner and Chris Kuntz families of Gridley, Peter Mauer of Roanoke, John Benninger of West Bend, Fred Sutter of Morton, Dan Kempf of Congerville, Wm.

Frank and George Wieland of Cissna Park. Later, between 1908-1910, others came from Cissna Park and Morton, namely Paul and Joseph Reeb, Fred Siegle and George Heinold. Many others moved in from time to time, mainly from Illinois. Among them in the year 1916 was Bro. Noah Schrock, who came from Congerville.

During World War I, due to an edict by the state government and because of the war with Germany, it was ordered by officials to hold services in the English language. At this time, Bro. Schrock (at the age of 25) and Bro. Wm. Rauhaus were chosen to serve. After the emergency was over and Bro. Henry Gerst became more fluent in the English language, Bro. Rauhaus chose to resign.

In the year 1935, the congregation decided, after another influx of families (many from Minnesota), to move and remodel the church building. It was moved to the present location on State highway 99, 3 miles south of Oakville. At this time, the congregation numbered about 35 families, including friends.

Two years later, in March, 1937, Bro. Reiman met with a very tragic automobile accident, taking his life. Bros. Gerst and Schrock felt that a helper should be added to the ministry. After much prayerful thought, it was decided to call both Bros. John Wagenbach and Gust Scheitlin to the ministry. They began serving in the fall of 1937.

More families continued to move into the community from time to time, and by the early 40's, there were more than 60 families attending church.

In the early spring of 1940, Bro. Schrock was ordained as the first elder of the Oakville church. He was installed by Bro. David Mangold of Roanoke, assisted by Bro. Schubert of Peoria and Bro. Carl Rassi of Morton.

On Sunday morning, Nov. 5, 1944, a disastrous fire greeted many of the members as they came to church, burning the building to the ground. Due to war-time emergency, a new building could not be erected at once. Not till the early spring of 1946 did it become possible to begin a new structure.

Adding to the difficulty of building was another disaster to the

community. This time it was a flood which affected most of the congregation. This took place on Jan. 7, 1946. No lives were lost, and with help from our brethren from other churches throughout America, rehabilitation took place, so that a crop was planted and harvested on schedule, and the new church building was under way.

On Sept. 21, 1947, we had our first meeting in the new church. Open house was held the following Sunday for the community, and on Feb. 15, 1948, we had formal dedication services, which was attended by a large number of members and friends throughout the Middle-West. Bro. Philip Gutwein of Francesville held the dedicatory address.

Bro. Henry Gerst passed away April 4, 1954. On June 6, 1956, Bro. Harvey Heiniger was added to the ministry. Because of crowded conditions, a balcony was put into the church in 1957, which will seat about 125 people. On Oct. 19, 1958, a group of members from the Oakville congregation began to assemble at the Burlington church, that we had purchased some time previous for mid-week services.

At present, we have about 108 families, 184 members and 142 Sunday School children.

### PEORIA, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. Michael Weyeneth

Our visiting ministers the past month were Bros. Cleo Rinkenberger of Pulaski, Alfred Bahler of Wolcott, Silas Leuthold of Princeville, and Willis Ehnle of Japan. Their wives were with them.

A daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. Marshall Heinold, and a daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. Dan Messerli, the past month.

As an extension of our Vacation Bible School, the church this year has begun a "Summer Seminar for Teens", a sort of high school and above age summer Bible School. Bro. Arthur Moser is the teacher. A series of five meetings are held each week for 3 weeks. About 20 are in attendance. Questions and discussions are encouraged, and we hope in this way to help them gain a better understanding of our faith and the way of Christ. We pray that God's blessings will be upon these young people, pointing the way to Christ.

Bro. and Sis. Alvin Domnick and

family have moved here from Morton. Their address is 709 E. Frye, Peoria. We welcome them.

Bro. Michael Weyneth held funeral services for Sis. Mary Wanner, age 86, at the Gauss Mortuary, Wed., Aug. 1. Sis. Wanner lived with her neice. Surviving were two neices and five nephews.

A picnic supper was held Sunday, July 21, for Bro. and Sis. Richard Laukhauf and their son, Bro. Dean, of Latty; Bros. Ray Steffen and Elmer Bahler and their children of Remington; Bros. Dale Wiegand, Dick and Herb Stoller of Gridley, (Ill.); Bro. Chas. Sauder of Tremont; Sisters Sherry Stoller and Nancy Tanner of Princeville; Bros. Allen and Bryon Schrock, Lyle Steffen and Sisters Rosie Marti and Nancy Schrock of Congerville: We want to thank all for worshiping with us. It was indeed a blessed day. A singing was held in the evening.

Our ministers held services at the Rest Moor home in Morton, Thursday evening, July 19. The Brothers of Harmony went along to sing. It was a blessed evening.

Bro. and Sis. Lester Pulver and children of Ft. Wayne and John Meyers and Sisters Lydia and Esther Meyers of Sabetha visited the Kipfer sisters here, the past month. Other visitors the past month were Sis. Dorothy Bechtol of Ft. Lauderdale and her daughter, Miriam, of Forrest, Bro. Manny Steffen and family of Bremen, Sis. Mary Hofstetter and her son, Bro. Theo, and his wife, from Wolcott.

Those in the hospital at this writing are Sisters Hannah Hohulin, Kate Getz, and Anna Keefer. We wish them a speedy recovery. Sis. Sophia Hoerr fell and broke several bones in her wrist and hand. It will be several months before she can have the use of her hand.

Sis. Lydia Knapp will be 94 years old Sept. 6, and Sis. Tillie Luthy, who is a shut-in, is also having a birthday Sept. 17. Tillie's address is 711 N. Monroe. Sis. Knapp's address is 4624 Nelson Drive. We know they would enjoy mail.

### PORTLAND, OREGON

Reporter: Mrs. Robert Miller

On July 15, Bro. Mel and Sis. Katherine Huber and family, from Francesville; Sis. Joyce Huber, Fairbury; Bro. Vincent and Sis. Mae Kay Hodel and their son, Tim,

their mother (Sis.) Mae Sauder, Roanoke, visited us.

Bro. Lou and Sis. Fannie Zimmerman, Roanoke; Bro. Jess and Sis. Mary Gerber, Bro. Emil and Sis. Annie Stoller, Latty; Bro. Henry and Sis. Ida Wackerle, Bay City; (we were richly blessed by the sermons of Bro. Henry), Sisters Lavada, Imogene, and Eleanor Stieglitz, Grabill; Sis. Golda Ditch, Medford, were with us on July 29.

Sandra Elaine was born to Ed and Judy Knecht on August 3. She is their first child. Sandra is also the first grandchild for Bro. Paul and Sis. Ann Rumbold.

The past Sunday, August 6, was another blessed day, when Bro. Ben and Sis. Lorene Maibach and three of their children, Kathleen, Ban and Connie, visited from Detroit; Also visiting were James and Willa Steiner, Ft. Lewis; Washington; Bro. Eli and Sis. Lena Grimm, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fischer, West Bend; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Metzger, Marjorie Metzger, Sabetha; Bro. Boyd and Lois Metzger, Chicago; John and Ella Martin, Elgin; Sisters Evelyn Beer, Irma Haab, Edna Lehman, Carol Weisser, Milford; Bro. Hartzell and Sis. Marion Schmidgall and family, Oakville; and Bro. Levi and Sis., Lillian Pfister, Winthrop.

### The Greatest Test

Help me to walk so close to Thee  
That those who know me best can  
see

I live as godly as I pray,  
And Christ is real from day to day.

I see some once a day, or year;  
To them I blameless might appear.  
'Tis easy to be kind and sweet  
To people whom we seldom meet,  
But in my home are those who see  
Too many times the worst of me.

My hymns of praise were best un-  
sung

If God does not control my tongue,  
When I am vexed and sorely tried  
And my impatience cannot hide.

May no one stumble over me  
Because Thy love they failed to see;  
But give me, Lord, a life that sings,  
And victory over little things.

Give me Thy calm for every fear,  
Thy peace for every falling tear;  
Make mine, O Lord, through calm  
and strife,

A gracious and unselfish life.  
Help me, with those who know me  
best,  
For Jesus sake, to stand the test.

### PULASKI, IOWA

#### Reporter: Mrs. Ray Martin

Bro. and Sis. John Wahl of Elgin, Bro. and Sis. Chris Rinckenberger of Burlington and Sis. (Mrs.) Sam Kuerth of Gridley visited with us on the first Sunday in July.

On July 22, several couples from Congerville visited with us. They were Bro. and Sis. Fredrick Knapp Jr., Bro. and Sis. Duane Steffen, and Bro. and Sis. Eugene Hartman. Also that Sunday, Sisters Florence, Joyce and Doris Banwart and Sis. Sarah Kropf from West Bend visited us. They had with them Ernest Koehl's two sons from Morris.

Bro. and Sis. Clarence Dietrich and family of Elgin, Illinois, and Bro. and Sis. Bob Kiefer and family of Peoria visited us on the 29th of July.

Bro. and Sis. Andy Mogler from Lester visited here, with the Russel Wuthrichs.

Three of Robert Wuthrichs children of Des Moines visited a week with their grandparents, the Bro. and Sis. Albert Wuthrichs.

### HISTORY

In the year of 1866, a minister by the name of Crabill, of the Apostolic Christian Church of Illinois, visited the Mennonite community. While visiting with them, they talked about Christ's teachings and drew several of the Mennonite members away from their congregation.

They met in homes to have services, and later built a church house on the Daniel Kinsinger farm, about 1870. This church house was located 2 miles south and 1 mile west of Pulaski. Jake Bohi was the first minister. Christian Kropf, who withdrew from the Mennonite church, was a minister with them and later became a minister and elder with our church. Daniel Kinsinger also served as minister at this time. Gottlieb Maibach served as minister and elder in the late 1800's, until he moved to Bay City.

There were other Apostolic people who moved in from Canada, Switzerland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Illinois. During the beginning of the church, the mem-

bers were baptized in creeks. We have a record that Mary Stevig Wuthrich repented at age of 17 and was baptized in a creek by Bro. Chris Gerber from Fairbury.

In 1904, they moved the church building into the southeast part of Pulaski. The land was purchased from John and Magdalena Wuthrich on April 21, 1904. This building served as their meeting-place until 1958.

In 1904, a new church building was built in the northeast part of Pulaski. It was ready to be used in January, 1958. The lot was donated by Bro. Keith Stevig, who later moved to Morton.

The ministers serving through the years, beside the ones mentioned above, were John Miller, Chris Wagler, Sam Miller, Mike Miller, and Guy Miller. Serving now are Albert Wuthrich and Cleo Rinckenberger.

### RITTMAN, OHIO

#### Reporter: Lucille Hartzler

On July 16, a son, Arthur Leroy, was born to Bro. and Sis. Harold Stoller.

Sis. Thelma Riggerbach left here by plane on July 19, to join her husband, Bro. John, who is in the Service in Germany.

Bro. Amos Hartzler celebrated his 90th birthday on July 24.

Grave-side services were held for the infant son of Richard and Gladys Bauman, on July 28.

We rejoice that God continues to call souls to repentance. Our latest friends who are seeking the Lord are: Fred Stoller, son of Bro. and Sis. Carl Stoller; Ruth and Edith Gasser, daughters of Bro. and Sis. Arthur Gasser; and Florence Hartzler, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Ben Hartzler.

On August 5, announcement was made of the approaching marriage of Bro. Joe Blough and Sis. Lucille Hartzler.

### ROCKVILLE, CONNECTICUT

#### Reporter: Carlton J. Lanz

Nearly two hundred children, teachers, parents, and friends gathered in observance of their annual Sunday School picnic. This was held at a near-by lake, on Saturday, July 14. We thank the many visitors who came from various places to worship with us on Sunday, July 15. Eighty was the estimated number — given me . . .

The week-end that followed was a most memorable one. The eight friends, whose names appeared in the May issue of the Silver Lining as having repented, recently related their testimonies on Saturday afternoon and evening. What God had wrought within their hearts and to hear the marvelous experiences these young people made was truly touching. This endeared them all to us.

Bro. Arthur Gudeman (being present) recalled, in his words, "How well I remember, when just twenty-eight years ago, I sat on the front bench, to give my testimony." —While in the course of being examined, Bro. John Bahler directed this question to the converts, "Do you feel that the church today is, in your opinion, too strict, or how do you feel about it?"—Their reply was, "No, it cannot be . . ." then added, "it could be stricter . . ." All were accepted by the membership, and on Sunday, then baptized. Much rejoicing followed, and many wept for joy.

We were, especially, pleased to have with us Bro. Fred Grimm, elder at Taylor, who assisted our elder, Bro. John Bahler. Also present were visiting ministers, Bro. Edmund Kloter, Bro. John Diggleman and (already mentioned) Bro. Arthur Gudeman. Other visitors included, Bros. Earl Feller, Cissna Park, John Furrer, Carl Aberle, John Huette, Richard Pohl, Ed. Lanz and Dave Buser. Their wives all accompanied them.

In attempting to obtain a general consensus of how the newly-accepted members felt with regard to the past few days experience, I believe it is well expressed by one of them. I quote Bro. Ronald Luginbuhl, in part: "For the membership of Rockville, the week-end of the 22nd was one of the most sincere and spiritually wonderful ever to be experienced. The testimonies of the eight converts held on Saturday afternoon and evening displayed humbleness and sincerity. All (of which I was one) were accepted into the fellowship as true works of God. After being baptized Sunday afternoon, when we were greeted by the congregation, almost everyone shed tears of joy . . ." "In addition," he added "the sisters, along with others, put on two fine meals Saturday and

Sunday evenings at the church. We were all more than thankful to the Lord for the blessed fellowship enjoyed by all."

Aug. 5, we had visitors from Chicago, Leo, Fairbury, Morris, and Rittman, also Bro. Grant Rauhaus and wife and Sister Pfister of Roanoke. Song service was held in the Sunday School rooms, in the evenings.

#### SABETHA, KANSAS Reporter: Eldon Metzger

Visiting the Sabetha congregation July 15 were Bro. and Sis. Dan Steiner, Velma and Carol, Tremont; Bro. and Sis. Dale Knobloch and family, Lester; Sisters Bernice Banwart, Carolyn and Marcella Gerber and Marilyn Schneider, West Bend; Sis. Mary Wittmer, Morton; Sis. Margaret Broquard, Fairbury; Sisters Bernice Stahl, Jane Kieser, Glora Stoller and Jean Seidel, Princeville; Bro. and Sis. Walter Pfister, Bluffton.

On Sunday, July 22, Youth Fellowship was held at the Sabetha church, with friends and members here from the churches at Gridley, Lamont, Ft. Scott, Bern and Wichita, Burlington (Okla.), Lamar and Taylor.

Bro. Joe Schrock, Congerville, had the afternoon message. That was surely a benefit to all in attendance, friends, and members alike. We received a rich blessing from God's word once again, and can only hope and pray that it has fallen on fertile soil and will reap thirty, sixty or even an hundred fold.

Sabetha was again voted the place to have Youth Fellowship next year, with Bros. Raymond Banwart, Ft. Scott, and Lloyd Kraft, Gridley, elected new committee members.

Visitors July 29 were Bro. and Sis. John Hoffman, John and Ida Schrock, Burlington; Bro. and Sis. Orel Steiner, Janet and Tommy, Emil Vierling, Bro. and Sis. Ezra Gerst, Bro. and Sis. Harvey Heiniger, Oakville; Bro. and Sis. Jim Hodel, Roanoke; Bro. and Sis. Phil Getz, Morton; Bro. and Sis. Gary Strahm, Maywood.

Bro. Harvey Heiniger had the Sunday afternoon service, and we wish to thank him for bringing us God's word in all its glory and truth.

#### SARDIS, OHIO

Reporter: Mrs. Ruth Headley

We are happy to report that we have a friend who has found a need for a Saviour, and so has turned her heart to the Lord — Emma Riggenbach, wife of Bro. Ferd Riggenbach. Sis. Emma gave her testimony Saturday evening, July 21, at her home. We wish her God's richest blessings in her new-found faith.

Sunday, July 22, was a most blessed and inspiring day for our congregation, which more than doubled the attendance, for the baptism of our new sister. Bros. Rudolph Graf and Noah Bauman assisted in this work. Among those attending from out-of-town were several ministering brothers and their wives from Mansfield, Rittman, and Akron, also a host of members, friends, and relatives from Rittman, Akron, Mansfield, Leo, Lester, and New Martinsville. We rejoice that God is yet calling souls to repentance.

Visitors July 15: Bro. and Sis. Roy Wieland and sons from Bay City, Bro. and Sis. Charles Zollinger and daughter from Rittman; July 29, Bro. and Sis. Erwin Klotzle and family from Rittman.

#### TAYLOR, MISSOURI Reporter: Mrs. Eli Sutter

The engagement of Sis. Kathy Grimm to Bro. Paul Haab of Milford was announced on Sunday, July 15. We wish them the Lord's blessings.

The annual Sunday School picnic was held on Sun., July 29. The children's singing was enjoyed by all.

Some of the Bible Class from the Elgin, Ia., church visited us on Aug. 1. They were accompanied by Ministering Brothers Werner Moore and Paul Butikofer, their wives and families, also others from Elgin, Cissna Park, and Princeville.

The following is a poem written by Sis. Charlotte Haerr, in memory of her cousin, William George (Bill) Hoerr, who passed away Aug. 22, 1961, at the age of 15 yrs. 11 mo. 13 days.

#### He's Home

It's still so hard to think of him  
Without a heart-felt sigh.  
Why can he not be with us now?  
Why did he have to die?

But then we think of that sad day,  
And how he seemed to see  
A glimpse of Heaven—"Beautiful!"  
And "... one big happy family!"

We know he's safe at home with  
God  
And happy in His care;  
And someday soon we pray we'll be  
With him, forever there.

He is sadly missed by his family  
and all of us, but we find comfort  
in God's holy word from Rev-  
elation 21:4. "And God shall wipe  
away all tears from their eyes; and  
there shall be no more death,  
neither sorrow, nor crying, neither  
shall there be any more pain: for  
the former things are passed away.

### TOLEDO, OHIO

Reporter: Emily Frautschi

July 15, we had our annual Sun-  
day School Picnic, with a group  
from Latty as our guests. Mr. and  
Mrs. Wm. Elsasser and family and  
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kieser, part of  
their family, and Elizabeth Kieser  
from Princeville; Lois Leman,  
Julia and Percida Honegger, Lena  
Asal, all from Peoria; and Hannah  
Koch from Tremont were with us  
on the same Sunday.

July 22, Bro. Ben Schlatter, Sis.  
Esther, his wife, part of his family  
and Sis. Marilyn Dotterer visited  
us, from Junction.

July 29, Bro. Rudolph Graf officiated at the wedding of Sis. Mary Ann Newman and Bro. Al Weigele of Alto. Other ministers here for the occasion were Bros. Fred Oesch and Elmer Schrenk of Alto and Bro. Ben Stavenik of Mansfield. Visitors were here from Alto, Bay City and Detroit, Chicago, Morton and Eureka, Akron, Mansfield and Latty.

We welcome the young couple to Toledo, as they are making their home here for the present time.

### TREMONT, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Mrs. William H. Beutel

Bro. Joe A. Getz was our guest minister on Sunday afternoon, August 5.

Sis. Martha Kaeb is home, after three weeks in the hospital. Sis. Leah Winzeler was hospitalized for surgery. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

The engagement of Sis. Shirley Wagenbach and Bro. Virgil Funk

of Gridley, Illinois, was announced on July 22.

On July 19, Bro. Ernest Aberle left for Germany to join his wife, Sis. Frieda, and their two sons, Peter and Timmy, who had gone several weeks before to visit Sis. Frieda's mother and other relatives there.

The Bible Classes are having vacation during the month of August.

### UNION CITY, NEW JERSEY

Reporter: August Mueller

Sun., July 15, we had visitors from Roanoke, Bro. and Sis. Fred Herbst and daughter, Sis. Norene. July 29, Bro. John Diggelman, our minister and his wife, Sis. Mary, returned. They spent one week in Rockville, where they had the blessed privilege to witness the proving and baptism of eight dear souls. What they have seen and heard they will not soon forget. Among them was Norma Diggelman, their niece.

Today, Aug. 5, we had visitors from Bluffton, Bro. and Sis. Harold Schladenhauffen and family and Sis. Mary Kipfer. We enjoyed their visit very much, and invite them all to visit us again. Also today, we had our dear friend Richard Diggelman with us. He returned from a month's vacation. He, with his friend, visited a number of countries, but is happy to be home again, and we are happy to have him with us again.

### Something Spiritual

Fear not. In my Father's house there are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place, that where I am, ye will be also.

What a wonderful promise, and upon this promise we go onward and forward, do what we can in the name of the Lord, until we are called to meet our deeds, where there is no setting sun.

### WEST BEND, IOWA

Reporter: Anna Schmidt

Visitors for the week end of July 15 were Bro. and Sis. Elmer and Eleanor Steffen from Elgin, Ill., and Bro. and Sis. Martin and Arlene Esslinger and family from Sabetha.

On July 21, a reception was held for Danny and Dolores Anliker, at the home of Bro. and Sis. Raymond and Louise Anliker.

Visitors the week end of July 22 were Bro. and Sis. John and Bertha Wagenbach and daughter, Edith, from Oakville; Bro. and Sis. Verner and Elizabeth Moore and three children; Sis. Esther Moore; Bro. and Sis. Ervin Metzger and daughter, Sis. Gloria Frieden from Elgin, Iowa. There were also some young folks here from Lester; Sis. Freidora Wettstein, Gridley; Sis. Mary Domnick, Peoria; Sis. Elda Martin, Edelstein; and Wilma Baer, Dunlap.

Visitors the week end of Aug. 5 were Bro. Elmer and Hazel Schmidt and two children, Sis. Emma Schmidt from Winthrop; Delbert and Jeanette Schmidt and family from Elgin, Ill.; also a car of young folks from Lester.

Sis. Mary Fehr is home from the hospital, and is fair at this writing. Sis. Elizabeth Marti and Sis. Lydia Jurgens are getting along real well.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gerber celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday July 22, at their home in Algona.

They were married July 24, 1902 at Roanoke. They farmed till in 1905, then moved to East Grand Forks, Minn., till 1914. They came to Kossuth County, southwest of Algona, where they farmed till 1938, then retired and moved to Algona, on 401 E. Lucas St.

Their 5 children all were present: Tillie (Mrs. Sam Mogler) Clara (Mrs. George Bruellman) of West Bend, Helen (Mrs. Paul Strahm) of Sabetha, Mildred (Mrs. John Scuffham) and Ervin of Algona.

Mr. Gerber has three sisters and one brother living. Two were present Sis. Lizzie Zaugg and Sis. Awalt Jurgens. Mrs. Gerber's sister and brother, Sis. Perseda and Lewis Aeschliman of Francesville were present. She has two sisters and four brothers living.

### WICHITA, KANSAS

Reporter: Dave Hangartner

Sis. Lydia Schrock was able to attend services with us on Sunday, the 5th, after being absent for some time on account of illness. We are glad to see her back.

A friend, Ed Farney, who has been hospitalized in the Wesley Hospital here for several weeks, has been released to return to his home in Kiowa.

### WINTHROP, MINNESOTA Reporter: Marguerite Messner

July 8, Elder Bro. Henry Koehl of Morris ministered unto us. Other visitors were Bro. and Sis. Robert Schole, Bro. and Sis. Elsworth Martin and Bro. and Sis. Noah Hermann and sons, Wayne and Keith, all of Princeville, Everett and Sis. Katherine Olson of Minneapolis (Minnesota).

On July 15, Art Mogler, Richard Banwart, Duane Metzger, Ronald Banwart, and Kenneth Traub of West Bend visited a short time at the C. F. Messerli home.

On July 22, Sis. Ida Schmidt and daughter, Sheila, visited with relatives over the week end.

Alvin and Delores Schmidt and family of St. Paul and Merlin and Mary Ann Schmidt and family of West Bend visited with the boy's mother and other relatives through the week.

July 22, Brother Koehl of Morris ministered unto us; Also visiting were Brother Henry and Sis. Emma Schmidgall, Henry's brother-in-law, Bro. Fred Kelleahiel of Cissna Park, and Bro. and Sis. Edwin Koehl of Morris.

Friends Delbert and his wife, Janet, and family of Elgin (Ill.) visited with his mother, Sis. Emma Schmidt, and other relatives here.

Allen Messerli, son of Bro. and Sis. C. F. Messerli, submitted to an appendectomy, July 18. He is home and recovered nicely. July 23, Sis. Sophia Miller also submitted to an operation for goiter, and has recovered nicely. Sis. Viola Messner has been hospitalized several times lately.

Bro. Arnold and Sis. Margie Gerst and children, Jenny and Mark, moved to Minneapolis from Taylor. They are attending our church here at Winthrop. We welcome them in our midst. Their address is Arnold Gerst, 8435 2nd Ave. So, Minneapolis 20, Minnesota.

Bro. and Sis. Ernest Dapper and sons of Maywood, and Alvin and Donna Belle Nelson and family of Crystal Lake, Ill., visited the past week with the family and other relatives.

Aug. 4, Rebecca Messner, daughter of Bro. Jim and Julia Messner, had the misfortune to lose her right foot in a lawn mower accident. Aug. 6, Sis. Jerry Messner, wife of Bro. Harold, submitted to surgery. At this writing, it is too

soon to know how she is getting along.

### WOLCOTT, INDIANA Reporter: Arles Kropf

Visiting ministers during the past month were Bro. Philip Gutwein of Francesville, on July 15, and Bro. George Gramm of Gridley.

We are so thankful that God has answered our prayers, along with those of many others, has restored our Bro. Irvin Lehman to better health again, and has permitted him to be able to again assemble with us. May it yet be that he can be completely restored, so he can again minister unto us.

Our Sunday School children and teachers of the older classes enjoyed a day in Chicago on July 28.

A daughter, Pamela Lorraine, was born to Lloyd and Pat Kyburz on July 11.

Visitors on July 29 were Bro. and Sis. Harold Isch, Bro. and Sis. Truman Gerber, Bro. Obed and Leona Gerber, Bro. and Sis. Henry Stoller, and Bro. and Sis. Lloyd Gerber of Bluffton, Sis. Clara Nohl and Alice Nohl of Goodfield, and a number from the Remington congregation.

### ALTADENA, CALIFORNIA Reporter: Doris Graf

Visiting this month were: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dockus, Morton; Miss Hedy Bousart, Conn.; Bro. and Sis. Jesse Gerber, Paulding; Miss Betty Klotzle, Rittman; Miss Dorothy Luther, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Emil Meyer, Chicago; Sis. Katherine Tooker, Akron; Mr. David Traub, Elgin; Mrs. Deloy Mills, Ft. Wayne; Bro. and Sis. Eli Gerber, Bluffton; Sis. Anna Klopfenstein and her daughter, Ada, Gridley, Ill.; Sis. Florence Hangartner, Sis. Mary Ellen Hangartner, Roanoke; Mrs. Elsie Beer, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Woerner, Mackinaw, Ill.; Sisters Irene, Esther, Frances, and Frieda Kipfer, Bluffton; Sis. Lydia Meyer, Sabetha; Bro. and Sis. Wayne Kercher, Burlington, Okla.; Bro. and Sis. Dick Beery's and children.

On July 16, a baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hecker. They named him John William. His grandparents are Bro. and Sis. Bill Hecker and Bro. and Sis. Bill Schwarz.

We were certainly saddened by the passing away of our friend, Sarah Paternaster, wife of Bro.

John of our congregation. The funeral services were held by Bro. Rudy Graf, who is visiting here from Akron, at Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

### ELGIN, ILLINOIS Reporter: Louise Steffen

Sunday, July 15, Bro. Lester Huber & his family were with us. We also had many visitors from Francesville, Chicago, and Oklahoma. We all enjoyed a blessed day.

Sis. Ernestine Gudeman underwent surgery July 19; Marge Wewetzer, July 16; Martha Dice also had surgery.

A boy was born to James and Ruth Kellenberger on July 23. They named him James Micheal.

July 29 we had many visitors from Bluffton, Remington, and Tremont.

During the month of July, Sandy Miller, a pupil of the Congerville Sunday School, spent some time with her grandparents, Bro. John and Sis. Ida Steffen.

Sis. Caroline Meyer is staying with her son, Emil, of Huntly, Ill., for a few weeks, then will return to Cissna Park.

On Aug. 9, Mike and Josie Kellenberger had a baby boy. His name is Brian Lloyd.

Sis. Viola Moser and Bro. Christian Metz were married by Bro. Herman Kellenberger on August 5. We wish them God's blessings in their future life.

Tom Schifferer, who is staying with Bro. Loren and Sis. Winifred Schlipf of Gridley, is repenting. We praise God for every soul seeking their salvation!

Sis. Minnie Wiess has been very sick; we pray for her. Bro. Jonathan sick; we pray for her. Bro. Jonathan Setffen entered the Sherman Hospital for tests and B-rays.

### FORT WAYNE, INDIANA Reporter: Mrs. Albert E. Kipfer

Inasmuch as our news was scarce for the July issue, we gave no report. However, after the close of the reporting date, we received a message that a daughter was born to Bro. and Sis. Stanley Clauss, on July 6. She has been named Maria-lyn, (pronounced Maria-lyn). We send congratulations to the happy parents, and also Sis. Mattie Clauss, upon the arrival of her first grandchild.

David Pfister, the son of Bro.



and Sis. Levi and Lillian Pfister of Fairfax, Minnesota, has been working at the International Harvester Company and attending the Fort Wayne church. He felt the need of a Saviour and has repented and found peace with God. He was proved and baptized Saturday, July 14, by the Elders: George Yergler and Sam Aeschliman. We wish Bro. David God's richest blessings on his new journey through this life.

On Sunday, July 15, Sis. Carolyn Pfister and Bro. Ralph Gudeman were united in marriage by Elder George Yergler of La Crosse. The wedding reception was held at the Lee Eisenmann home, followed by a supper at the church. There were many guests from Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Indiana at the wedding. Sis. Carolyn is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Levi Pfister of Fairfax, Minnesota, and Bro. Ralph is the son of Bro. and Sis. George Gudeman of Cissna Park. They plan to reside in Congerville, where Bro. Ralph is employed. Sis. Carolyn was employed at the Lincoln Life Insurance Company, and we shall miss her from our congregation.

David Unsicker, who is attending Annapolis Naval Academy, is home for the month of August, visiting his parents, Bro. and Sis. Jake Unsicker.

David J. Pulver, son of Bro. and Sis. Lester Pulver, is on his way to Japan. He should arrive there August 13. If you desire to write to him, use the same address as listed in the May issue, which is:

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Kay Fulkerson, daughter of Bro. and Sis. Sy. Fulkerson, underwent an appendectomy operation at the Parkview Memorial Hospital August 7. She is getting along fairly good at this writing.

The visiting ministers who served us in the past four weeks were: Bros. George Yergler, Loren Stoller, Joel Souder and Otto Norr. Come again; we enjoy having you.

### JUNCTION, OHIO

Reporter: Mrs. Alvin H. Manz

July 29, we heard the word of God preached to us by Bro. Otto Norr of Leo. Bro. Unsicker and his son were also with us; he is not able to attend regularly.

Visitors for July 17 were Sisters Emma and Helen Schlatter and Bro. Dave Schlatter and children, of Bay City, Sisters Lizzie and Clara Wahl, Bro. John and Sis. Catherine Fuhrer of Mansfield, and Bro. John and Sis. Emma Wahl of Elgin, Illinois.

Sunday, August 5, our visiting minister was Bro. Kenny Sauder of Mansfield. We enjoyed hearing Bro. Kenny very much. His wife, Sis. Susie, and children were also with us. Sis. Aldula Steffen of Bluffton was in our midst.

Bros. Otto Norr and Kenny Sauder were also kind enough to have a few words with our Rehkla sisters, who being no longer able to attend church, so appreciate these short services in their home.

### Know Each Other Better

One of our older sisters, Sis. Lena Suttor Manz, daughter of Bro. John and Sis. Magdalena (Schrock) Suttor, was born near Goodfield, September 14, 1888. She went to the Congerville church. Bro. Gottlieb Hohulin was her Sunday School teacher. She went to German school, at the church house, one winter. Sis. Lizzie Witzig was her teacher. Bro. Hohulin came to visit once in a while.

In 1909, the family moved to Eureka. When she heard about the Haley's comet, she was moved to repentance, and repented there in 1910. She was proved, and baptized by Bro. Andrew Rapp in the Mackinaw River near the Congerville church, November, 1910.

In 1912, the family moved to Paulding, Ohio, and went to Junction church for some time, and later to Latty. She worked in Toledo and went to church there for some time.

In 1923, she was married to Bro. Henry Manz of the Junction church, who is now one of our ministering brothers. Born to this union were four children, Magdalena, Elias, Henrietta and Ben, who are now all members. Bro. Henry and Sis. Lena lived on a farm east of Paulding until 1960, now are retired and live in Paulding.

Sis. Lena has had back trouble for several years and suffered a stroke, but is still able to attend church most of the time, and does some housework. She states she has a lot for which to be thankful.

### LEO, INDIANA

Reporter: Mrs. Elias Souder

Our church services are the year around D.S.T.

10:00 A.M. Sunday Morning

12:00 Song Service

12:30 Afternoon

8:00 Thursday service

Leah Schwartz has been very ill but is somewhat improved, but not able to attend church service. Cora Levy spent several days at the Sanders Hospital, Auburn, Indiana, being very ill, but is getting better. At the present time, she is with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Stoller, near Woodburn.

Little Edward J. Garman, nine-month-old son of Ruth and Louis Garman, took sick Tuesday morning, July 30, was taken to the hospital in the evening, and died unexpectedly at 10:30. Funeral services were at the church Friday, Aug. 3, officiated by Otto Norr.

Sunday, Aug. 5, we were privileged to have Elmer Bahler, the Remington Young People's choir leader and his family, and his wife's family, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Getz and sons, Ronnie and Eldon. They accompanied some from here after church service to two Butler Rest Homes at Butler.

Mary and David Lantz are the grandparents of a little daughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lantz, and also are grandparents to a little son in Maryland. Here is a note:

"Dear Ed, We would like to announce the birth of our son, Todd Alan, to Linda and Lowell Lantz. He was born June 24 . . . We are coming to Grabill for our 10-day vacation, starting Sept. 1 . . . hope to see you soon. Sincerely, Linda, Lowell and Todd Lantz."

We are very happy to welcome home Dennis Klopfenstein, who has been in the service in the Air Force. He arrived home safely July 28. A welcome by the church is planned for him Wednesday at our new Fellowship Center, which is reaching completion.

### MANSFIELD, OHIO

Reporter: Aaron A. Sauder

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Matuch were blessed with a little daughter in June.

Bro. and Sis. Harvey Farney and family of Wichita spent two weeks visiting with Sis. Ann's parents,

Bro. and Sis. Carl Oesch, and other relatives and friends.

The Sunday School picnic was held Sunday, June 24, at the home of Bro. and Sis. John Fuhrer. Singing was enjoyed by all. It is a blessing and helps keep our children together.

On Sunday, July 29, Sis. Fran Gilliom entertained her Sunday School class at her home.

We have had many visitors from various congregations since our last report. We enjoy the Christian fellowship with loved ones, thank all, and heartily invite all back again.

Our visiting ministers have been, on July 8, our Elder Rudolf Graf; on July 12, Bro. Clarence Yackley of Phoenix; on July 18, Bro. Fred Grimm of Taylor, Bro. Arthur Gudeman of LaCrosse, Bro. Edwin Kloter of Fairbury, Bro. Fred Marty and Bro. Ben Hartzler of Rittman; on Aug. 2, Elders Rudolf Graf & Noah Bauman; on Aug. 3, Bro. Elmer Witzig of Gridley and Bro. Joe Maibach of Rittman. We enjoyed their inspiring services in the word of God, which is the nourishment for our inner life.

### PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Reporter: Mrs. Roy Stevig

Many summer vacations are over again for another year. Those of you who have journeyed through God's wonderful creation, into mountains and forests, and have seen beautiful streams, will especially enjoy this poem.

#### God's Stream

Streams never have to force their will;  
They can be happy lying still  
Or running fast. They never mind  
If mountains intervene; they wind,  
Or are content to stand and keep  
Still for a time of growing deep.  
I would be like a stream, content  
To follow my own inward bent,  
Knowing that just God, keeping  
me,  
I, too, shall reach at last the sea.

Although summer is not the most ideal time for a vacation in our desert community, we have been blessed with many visitors.

Ardeene Shaffer, Gridley, Kan., and Richard Sylvester, formerly from Germany, now both in the Air

Force in New Mexico, visited here. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bentley and family, Fairbury; Dorothy Luther, Cadiz, Ohio; Jim Thiems, Altadena; Melvin and Martha Emch, Rittman; Bro. Ernie and Sis. Marcelle Dapper, Maywood; Bro. Jesse and Sis. Mary Gerber and Bro. Emil and Sis. Anna Stoller, Latty; Sis. Elizabeth Hartman, Goodfield; Bro. Bill Witzig and son Billy, Altadena; Bro. Wayne and Sis. Helen Kircher and daughters Nancy and Becky, Burlington, Okla.; Bro. James and Sis. Marie Leo, Sis. Alma Maibach and children Gary and Gail, Susan Garrison and Betty Klotzle, Rittman.

### PRINCEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Ruth Ricketts

Sunday, July 22, was a blessed day, when Brothers David Mangold of Roanoke and Leroy Huber of Eureka spent the day with us and assisted our Elder Brother Silas Leuthold in serving The Lord's Supper. We can derive many blessings from this Holy Communion, and it binds us closer together in Christian love and fellowship. Bro. Harvey Grimm and his family of Sabetha were with us also this day, and shared the ministry with Bros. David and LeRoy. We are thankful for our brothers, to share with us of their talents, and wish them God's blessings.

Bro. Loris and Sis. Martha (Leuthold) Kieser are the parents of a son, Timothy Loris, born July 20. A sister and brother welcomed him home.

A number of young folks from the Bible classes from Goodfield and Congerville and their teachers and parents were our guests July 29. The young folks today have wonderful opportunities of getting together, and we hope they benefit from the untiring efforts of their parents and teachers.

Our friends, Jerry Martin and Jordan Elsasser, left Wednesday, August 8, by jet for the west coast, where they will be sent to Korea to serve in the armed forces. They have been spending a furlough with their parents, Bro. Chris & Sis. Besie Martin and family and Bro. Chris and Sis. Leila Elsasser and family. Many gatherings were held for them while they were at home.

### REMINGTON, INDIANA

Reporter: Emily Kilgus

On July 15, we had visitors from Forrest and Fairbury. Bro. Merle Kaisner was our guest minister.

Lloyd and Sheila Waibel are the parents of a son, Jeffery Lee, born July 11. This is their second son. Bro. Herman and Sis. Anna Waibel are the grandparents.

We welcome Bro. Dave and Sis. Kay Eisenman to our congregation. They with their family have moved from Burlington, Iowa.

Sis. Mary Bahler has spent a few weeks in the hospital. She is now convalescing at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Bro. Dean and Sis. Betty Bahler, at West Lafayette.

We have not had services for two Sundays, due to redecorating the church. After one more Sunday, we hope to be back on regular schedule, and invite all who would wish, to worship with us. We thank our neighboring churches, who have rendered their fine hospitality during this time.

Bro. Ralph and Sis. Nina Beyer of New York spent a few days with relatives here. They were accompanied by their three sons.

### MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Reporter: Mrs. Louie Messner

"Today, there were 25 or so visitors, including friends I haven't seen for 16 years, since I was married . . . Bro. Manny and Sis. Ruth Steffen of Bremen. When I read of relatives and friends in the Silver Lining, I would like to sit and write each one, but time just slips by so fast—Would so like to send greetings to all—I enjoy reading about them . . . Keep in touch that way.

I write as though I'm talking to the person, so feel free to shorten or omit any item I write.

Is it all right when we add a point our visiting ministers make? I'd like to hear or read it from other reporters, I know."

Visiting ministers: Bro. John Wagenbach, Burlington, July 15; Bro. Earl Zeltwanger, Bremen, July 22; Bro. Noah Miller, Winthrop, July 29; Bro. Noah Gerber, West Bend, Aug. 5. Bro. and Sis. George Gramm of Gridley were with us July 15 and 22, as they were here visiting their son, Bro. Harold and Sis. Ila Gramm and children.

Bro. and Sis. Antone Schafer have a son, Rodney, born July 7.

Sis. Sophie Luthi is in the hospital, and not too good at this writing. Sis. Tillie Kellenberger is also in the hospital again. May the Lord be with each one according to His will.

Pvt. Kenneth Koehl was home on a one week furlough, visiting his parents, Bro. and Sis. Charlie Koehl. His address is Pvt. Kenneth Koehl US 55729884 Co A 2nd BN 10th Infantry Fort Carson Colorado.

Sis. Linda Schmidgall and Bro. Fred Messner were united in marriage July 29. After a 2-month honeymoon, they will be at their home in Gibbon, Minnesota.

Bro. Earl told the story of the wind and the sun (1st time I heard it). When they saw a man wearing a jacket, the wind began to show his force, but the harder it blew, the tighter he pulled his coat around him. The sun tried, and soon it shone, the man began to take his coat off.

Showing love has more power than force. How much love do we really have, and are we bearing good fruit?

### ROANOKE, ILLINOIS

Reporter: Irene Hodel

We were very pleased to have three visiting ministers with us July 15. We enjoyed their inspiring messages.

Bro. and Sis. David Bertsch of Leo, who came to visit his parents, Bro. and Sis. Aaron Bertsch, and his sister, Dorothy, and family, the Gene Bertschis.

Those visiting from Peoria were Mike Weyeneths, Leroy Hartmans, Wm. Erkerts, Steve O'Maran, and Alf Altofers. They were guests of Bro. and Sis. Dave Mangold, after services, and Bro. and Sis. Leonard Fehrs for the evening.

Bro. and Sis. Jim Gerber and children of Ft. Wayne were here a week with his brother, Lloyd Gerber, and family, visiting friends and relatives.

Several cars of young folks from Peoria had services with us Wednesday night, July 18. They were guests of Bro. Leslie Luginbuhl, at his folks, the Herman Luginbuhls.

Bro. and Sis. Everette Hari of La Salle-Peru were also with us for services. We always enjoy having visitors worship with us.

Bro. and Sis. Jake Stoller and Sis.

Minnie Stoller from Latty were here a week, visiting with their sister and family, the Silas Hodels. Sis. Minnie also stayed with her daughter and family, the Sam Lemans of Eureka.

July 29, we enjoyed seeing many of our friends in church, who were home visiting their parents and relatives! Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leman and family of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hangartner and family of Elgin, and Mrs. Phylis Schackerbauer and family of Phoenix. The girls are daughters of Sis. Marie Blunier. Charles is the son of Bro. and Sis. Fred Leman, and Jerry is the son of the Joe Hangartners.

Bro. and Sis. Sam Hohulin of Davenport, Iowa, were also with us. They were visiting her parents, Bro. and Sis. Orville Martin.

Bro. Ed Kambly, who has been staying at the Nursing Home here for two years and attending services with us, plans to leave for Battle Creek, Michigan, to spend some time with his daughter there, before going to the nursing home at Fairbury. We enjoyed having Bro. Ed with us, and will miss him. We hope he will come often to visit us.

Bro. Jack Leman, who has been very sick in the Eureka Hospital, is now improving.

We are glad to hear Sis. Ella Belsley, who has been in the hospital, is home again.

August 2, Mrs. Henry Schumacher of Metamora passed away at the Eureka Hospital. She was admitted the day before. Her funeral was Saturday afternoon at the Mason Funeral Home in Metamora, and burial was in the church cemetery. Bro. Joe Zimmerman had the services.

Sis. Mabel Bahler and David Bahler of Ft. Wayne were over here over the week end of August 4, visiting their sister and family, Bro. Bill Zimmermans; also, their niece, Nora Knochel, who came with them, stayed for a week.

Saturday night, we had the proving of our dear friends, Nancy and Eddie Aeschleman of Wilmington, Delaware. The baptism was Sunday, which was a happy and blessed day for many. We hope and pray their will be more to seek their soul's salvation, before it is too late. Nancy is the daughter of Bro. and Sis. Carl Sauder, and Eddie is the son of Sis. Mary Aeschleman. The following visitors also joined us for this happy occasion: Carl Lehman of Chicago, Lynn Klopfensteins of Gridley, Alvin Farneys and Mrs. Hemmer of Princeville, Al Hunsickers and Eleanor Pfladder of Morton, Chris and Bill Hohulins of Goodfield, Wesley and Dick Aeschlemans, Carl and John Hoerrs, Harlan Thomas, Bob Haefli's, Harvey Bertchtolds, Al and Dale Hunsick-



Jerusalem . . . this is a view of the city. In this city, our Lord stood before Pilate . . . and He was led outside to be crucified.

The view shown here is taken from a picture sent by Sis. Joyce Huber.

ers and Marian Reuter of Peoria. Bena Broquard, Mary Traub and daughter Mary Mae of Fairbury (who were visiting their daughter and family, Bro. and Sis. Bruce Le-man).

Bro. and Sis. Bill Schrock and daughter of Kiowa, Kansas, were also with us, guests of Bro. and Sis. Fred Herbsts.

We are happy to have Sis. Dorothy Bertschi with us again, after a short illness.

We can all sympathize with the family of our dear sister, Sadie Schumacher, who passed away at the Eureka Hospital August 9. Sis. Sadie was very loving and kind, always had a pleasant smile during all her days of sickness. She has set a good example of a Christian life. She leaves to mourn her departure her husband, Walter; two daughters, Joyce Crawford of Eureka and Sis. Mary Jane at home; three sons, Jerry of Eureka, Bob and Samuel at home. We pray the dear Lord will be with them in their lonely hours.

### TIMELESS BEAUTY

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timeless, and men's souls are at stake!

Calmly, confidently, our Hero knows how to win.

Zion's Harp 155 and 195 express the inner beauty that holds the children of God together. This makes Home so lovely.

We look to welcome Home.

"Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved. . ."

Because God is great, He gives perfectly, sometimes above the expected and usual.

With such wonderful love, with Home, with for ever, there is needed the touch of tenderness that expresses. Man is an expressive creation. He writes music that chords in the soul. His artist touch mirrors the soul. He shows the beat of his heart in the touch of his hand.

If our brother were taken away, we would gladly press him to our heart again. Then, how gladly should we give the holy kiss.

We have yet to explore all the depths of spiritual beauty hidden away in this holy love.

"Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord."

The cherished ambition of the

saints is to be together, for ever.

We should prize the effort of each loved one who cares about us . . . it takes effort to point to greater ways, 'cause sometimes it means the more love given, the less love received.

But when we respond with improvement, it brings joy to one another!

### Easter

Easter is Christ's resurrection,  
A marvellous life to behold,  
When o'er the grave He triumphant  
Arose; tidings glad can be told.

Easter is dawn e'en at sunset,  
Of heavenly day with the blest.  
The pilgrim glows in its golden,  
While home is a sweet Saviour's  
Rest.

Easter is sweet in the evening.  
We walk then up heaven's front  
lawn,

'Mid beautiful, glorious light  
And promise of new day at dawn.

Easter brings hope to the heart-  
sick

And love to the lonely in life.

Easter brings flowers and sun-  
shine,

And peace, 'mid the fiercest of  
strife.

Then tell me more about Easter,  
And . . . with the beautiful beam-  
ing,

Tell me of circle unbroken,  
With friends, of love sweetly  
streaming!

Easter is joy ever after,

In hope of the victory won.

Easter is sung 'mid the rapture  
Of doing life's moments well done.

Easter is soon in that city

Of wonderful, beautiful fold,  
Of gold, and gems . . . and happi-  
ness.

Forever and ever . . . foretold!

the editor

the editor

### CONSOLATION!

There is never a day so dreary  
But God can make it bright,  
And unto the soul that trusts Him,  
He giveth songs in the night.

There is never a path so hidden,  
But God can lead the way,  
If we seek for the Spirit's guidance,  
And patiently wait and pray.

There is never a cross so heavy,  
But the nail-scarred hands are  
there,  
Outstretched in tender compassion,  
The burden to help us bear.

There is never a heart so broken,  
But the loving Lord can heal.  
The heart that was pierced on  
Calvary,  
Doth still for His loved ones feel.

—From Bertha Harville,  
R. 3, Town Creek, Alabama

### NEWS:

The Lord willing we will have some special reports, asking a particular reporter or two to report on a particular subject, each month or at times.

Instead of reporting just names and addresses—the aim is to give interesting information — perhaps gradually moving toward a better symphony of news . . . so there will be no longer just visiting lists.

Also, the local color, scenery, views, crops, of a community will appear . . . home views at Thanksgiving, Christmas . . .

The aim is to be of good Service . . . in the power of God, to rebound in battle . . . and surge forward . . . God's strength is surprising with its vigor.

If you have a historical bit of information that counts . . . an incident, a report of an obedient life that will help others, etc., hand it to a reporter.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS?

Write us, or tell one of the reporters, if so.